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350	12-17-52	SA memo for file with enclosure N.Y. SA. memo to SAC	1/3	4	
351	12-19-52	SA memo for file with enclosure	1	1	
352	12-17-52	SAC letter to third party	2	2	
352A	12-17-52	SA memo for file	1	1	
353	12-18-52	SA memo for file	2	0	
353A	12-18-52	SA memo for file	1	1	
354	12-9-52	SA memo for file with enclosure	1/1	2	
355	12-19-52	Airtel from Phila to Director	1	1	
356	12-19-52	Third party letter to New York	1	1	
357	12-12-52	Teletype from Newark to Director and SAC, N.Y.	1	1	
358	12-19-52	N.Y. Airtel to H.Q.	2	2	
359	12-22-52	N.Y. Teletype to H.Q.	2	-	See NY 65-15348

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360	12-19-52	Third party letter to N.Y.	1	1	
361	12-19-52	Third party letter to N.Y.	1	1	
362	12-19-52	S.A. Memo to SAC	11	0	
363	12-19-52	memo from SAC, C.V. to SAC N.Y.	1	0	
364	12-22-52	FD-71 Complaint form	1	1	
364A	12-22-52	FD-71 Complaint form	1	1	
365	12-22-52	N.Y. Airtel to H.Q. and WFO	2	2	
366	12-22-52	Third party letter to N.Y.	1	1	
367	5-15-53	FD-5 charge-out slip	1	1	
368	12-22-52	N.J. Teletype to H.Q., SAC's N.Y. and WFO	1	1	
369	12-22-52	Memo for file	1	1	
369A	12-22-52	Memo for file	3	3	

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370	12-23-52	N.Y. letter to third party	1	1		
371	12-23-52	N.Y. letter to third party	1	1		
372	12-23-52	wfo Airtel to H.Q. And Sac, N.Y.	2	0		
373	12-23-52	N.Y. letter to third party	1	1		
374	12-23-52	memo from Sac, Phila to Sac N.Y.	1	1		
375	12-23-52	memo from Sac, Phila to Sac, N.Y.	1	1		
376	12-23-52	memo from SAC Phila to N.Y.	1	1		
377	12-23-52	wfo Airtel to HQ and N.Y.	2	0		
378	12-23-52	N.Y. Teletype teletype to Bureau	2	-	Yes	N.Y. - 65-15348
379	12-23-52	SA memo to SAC	3	3		
380	12-23-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
381	12-23-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		

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382	12-23-52	CJSR for file with enclosure Memo	2	2		
383	12-23-52	CJSR for file with enclosure Memo	2	2		
384	12-23-52	CJSR for file with enclosure Memo	2	2		
385	12-23-52	CJSR for file with enclosure Memo	2	2		
386	12-24-52	SA letter to third party	1	1		
387	12-24-52	NY Airtel to H.Q.	3	0		NY 65-15348
388	12-24-52	Phila Airtel to H.Q., NY. And WFO.	1	1		
388A	12-27-52	Third party letter to be Processed	1	1		
389	12-26-52	memo from SAC, MO. to SAC, NY.	1	1		
390	12-27-52	NY Airtel to H.Q.	1	—	yes	NY - 65-15348
390A	12-30-52	Third party letter to be processed	1	1		
391	12-27-52	CJSR for file	1	1		

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391	12-29-52	Copy of CSJRC for file	1	1		log dup
392	12-29-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
393	12-29-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
393A	12-29-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
394	12-29-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
394A	12-29-52	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
394B	12-29-52	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
394C	12-29-52	Newark Airtel to H.Q.	1	1		
394D	12-29-52	Teletype from WFO to H.Q.	1	1		
395	12-30-52	N.Y. Airtel to H.Q.	12	-	yes	NY-65-15348
395A	12-30-52	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
395B	1-21-53	Third party letter for processing	1	1		

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395C	12-30-52	H.Q. letter to third party	1	1		
396	1-1-53	Third party letter for processing	1	1		
396A	12-30-52	H.Q. letter to third party	1	1		
397	1-1-53	Third party letter for processing	1	1		
397A	12-30-52	SA memo for file	2	0		
397B	12-30-52	H.Q. memo to SAC, N.Y.	4	4		
397C	12-30-52	SA memo to SAC	1	1		
398	12-31-52	N.Y. Teletype to H.Q.	1	—		See NY 65-15348
399	12-31-52	memo. for file with enclosure	2	2		
400	12-31-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure memo	5	5		
401	12-31-52	CSJAC for file with enclosure memo	2	2		
402	12-31-52	CSJEC for file with enclosure memo	2	2		

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403	12-31-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
404	12-31-52	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
405	12-31-52	Third party letter for file	1	1		
406	12-31-52	WFO airtel to HQ & NY	2	2		
406A	12-31-52	SAC letter to 2nd Party	1	1		
406B	5-15-53	FD-5 charge-out slip	1	1		
407	1-2-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
408	1-2-53	WFO airtel to HQ.	1	1		
409	1-9-53	FD-71 complaint form	1	1		
410	1-7-53	FD-71 complaint form	2	2		
411	1-3-53	NY Teletype to HQ.	1	-	yes	NY 65-15348
412	1-7-53	FD-71 complaint form	1	1		
413	1-4-53	WFO airtel to H.Q. and SAC NY	1	1		

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414	1-7-53	w/o airtel to H.Q. and SAC N.Y.	1	1		
415	1-5-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
416	1-5-53	SAC/memo to SAC	1	1		
416 A	5-15-53	- Transfer permit	1	1		
416 B	1-5-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
417	1-6-53	SAC/memo to third party	1	1		
418	1-6-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
419	1-6-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
420	1-6-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
421	1-6-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
422	1-6-53	SAC letter to third party	1	1		
423-430	1-19-53	FD-5 Charge-out slip	1	1		
431	1-6-53	Newark airtel to H.Q. and SAC N.Y.	1	1		

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432	1-7-53	CSJRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
433	1-7-52	CSJRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
434	1-7-52	CSJRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
435	1-7-52	memo for file with enclosure	7	7		
436	1-7-52	memo for file with enclosure	2	2		
437	1-7-52	CSJRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
438	1-7-52	CSJRC for file memo	1	1		
438	1-7-53	wfo Airtel to H.Q.	2	2		
439	1-7-53	wfo Airtel to H.Q.	1	1		
440-441	1-19-53	FD-5 charge-out slip	1	1		
442	1-6-53	wfo Airtel to H.Q.	3	3		
443	1-8-53	NH Airtel to H.Q.	1	1		

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444	1-8-53	LA Airtel to H.Q.	2	2		
444 A	1-8-53	St. Louis SAC memo to SAC, N.Y.	3	0		
444 B	1-8-53	Third party letter for proc- essing	1	1		
445	1-9-53	WFO Teletype to H.Q.	2	2		
445 A	1-9-53	Third party letter for processing	1	1		
446-449	1-9-53	FD-5 change out slip	1	1		
450	1-9-50	SA memo for file	1	1		
450 A	1-9-50	Third party letter for processing	1	1		
451	1-10-53	NY Teletype to H.Q.	2	-	yes	N.Y. 65-15348
451 A	1-10-53	enclosure to serial 451	1	1		
452	1-10-53	N.Y. Teletype to H.Q.	1	-	yes	N.Y. 65-15348
452 A	1-8-53	Enclosure to serial 452	1	1		

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452B	1-10-53	Third party letter for processing	1	1		
453	1-12-53	BS airtel to H.Q.	2	2		
454	1-12-53	WFO Airtel to H.Q.	2	2		
455-458	1-19-53	FD-5 charge out'slip	1	1		
458A	1-12-53	NH Airtel to H.Q. and Sac, N.Y.	2	2		
459	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
460	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
461	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
462	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	3	3		
463	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	3	3		
464	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		
465	1-12-53	CSJRC for file with enclosure	2	2		

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466	1-12-53	CSTRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
467	1-12-53	CSTRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
468	1-12-53	CSTRC for file with enclosure memo	2	2		
469	1-12-53	CSTRC for file with enclosure memo	2	2		
470	1-12-53	CSTRC for file with memo enclosure	2	2		
471	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with memo enclosure	2	2		
472	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with enclosure memo	2	2		
473	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with enclosure memo	3	3		
474	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with memo enclosure	2	2		
475	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with memo enclosure	2	2		
476	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with enclosure memo	2	2		
477	1-12-53	CSTRC to file with memo enclosure	3	3		

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: December 17, 1952

FROM :

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SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

() CSNY 425, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office, evidence concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City. This building is occupied by National Headquarters of the IWO.

(x) CSNY 426, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from 35 E. 12th St., N.Y.C. This building is occupied by the following organizations, which are all under the control of the Communist Party: Publishers New Press, Inc. ("Worker" and "Daily Worker"); Morning Freiheit Association ("Morning Freiheit" and "Jewish Life"); Workers' Bookshop; F & D Printing Co.; 12th - 13th Realty Corporation. Prior to September, 1951, the National State and N. Y. County offices of the Communist Party also occupied these premises.

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SHOULD THE ROSENBERGS BE EXECUTED WHEN WAR-TIME TRAITORS ARE GIVEN LIGHT PRISON TERMS?

DURING THE WAR, "Axis Sally" (Rita Louise Zucca), deserted to the Nazis, broadcast daily to our soldiers in Italy, to demoralize them, to cause them to desert to the Nazis. At the end of the war, tried for TREASON IN TIME OF WAR, she was convicted, sentenced Sept. 28, 1945 to 4 years, 5 months in prison.

"Tokyo Rose" (I. T. D'Aquino), deserted to the Japanese, broadcast to our soldiers in Japan, to cause them to desert to the Japanese. She was tried for TREASON IN TIME OF WAR, convicted, sentenced Oct. 6, 1949 to 10 years in prison.

SHOULD THE ROSENBERGS DIE WHEN THOSE CONFESSING TO THE SAME CHARGES GET LIGHT SENTENCES?

Dr. Allan Nunn May, high ranking nuclear physicist, was in 1946 charged with atomic espionage for Russia. HE CONFESSED to a British court, was sentenced on May 1, 1946 to 10 years in prison.

NOTE: The New York Times, September 10, 1952, reports: "Dr. Allan Nunn May . . . will be released about the end of this year, having served his MINIMUM TERM OF NEARLY SEVEN YEARS."

Dr. Klaus Emil Fuchs, a highly placed British scientist, charged with atomic espionage for Russia, CONFESSED to a British court, was sentenced on March 1, 1950 to 14 years in prison.

FOR THE FIRST TIME
AMERICANS HAVE BEEN
SENTENCED TO DEATH
ON SUCH A CHARGE!



Ethel and Julius Rosenberg were indicted in 1950, charged with giving atomic information to Russia in 1944, when she was our wartime ally. With their co-defendant, Morton Sobell, they protest their innocence to this day. They were convicted. On April 5, 1951 Morton Sobell was sentenced to 30 years in prison, and Ethel and Julius Rosenberg to the electric chair.

WHY? Why the excessive and brutal sentences?

HUNDREDS of THOUSANDS
OF AMERICANS ARE AP-
PEALING FOR CLEMENCY.

THE CHURCHMAN (Protestant Episcopalian), in an editorial on November 1, 1952: "The Churchman feels that the death sentence, in the light of the far milder treatment of more serious offenders than the Rosenbergs, is both excessive and cruel. We believe that the execution of these two individuals will only hurt the name of the United States. . . ."

...in "Hostile Atmosphere"

The New York Herald Tribune on October 11, 1952, had this headline:

COURT SETS ASIDE CONVICTION OF EX-TAX OFFICIAL.

Rules Delaney Was Tried in 'Hostile Atmosphere' Engendered by Publicity.

The story reported that the U.S. Court of Appeals in Boston reversed the conviction of Denis W. Delaney, an ousted Internal Revenue Collector. The Court held that Delaney was forced to stand trial in "the hostile atmosphere engendered by all the pre-trial publicity."

This is our American concept of a fair trial.

Does not that concept hold for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, and Morton Sobell?

Were they not tried in a headline atmosphere a thousand times more hostile than that faced by Delaney? Was not all the "pre-trial publicity" about the Rosenbergs a thousand times more hostile and prejudicial?

"We are innocent,"

say Ethel and Julius Rosenberg and Morton Sobell.

The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs believes there is definitely grave and reasonable doubt about their conviction.

But NOW, with the United States Supreme Court having turned down their request for a review of their conviction, the immediate issue is not their guilt or innocence, or the vindication that time may bring.

THE ISSUE NOW is to SAVE THE ROSENBERGS from the unjust, un-American, unequal sentence of DEATH.

WHY 4 years and 5 months, 10 years, 14 years for Axis Sally, Tokyo Rose, Dr. May and Dr. Fuchs and DEATH for the ROSENBERGS?

*Is not the unprecedented death sentence a product
of "the hostile atmosphere"?*

NOTABLES WHO HAVE SPOKE



UNITED STATES BRIGADIER GENERAL HENRY CLAY NEWCOMER (RET.); REV. CLARENCE D. HERRIOTT; HONORABLE SIDNEY SILVERMAN, Member of Parliament, Great Britain; WALDO FRANK, author; REV. JOHN PAUL JONES, Union Church of Bay Ridge, Brooklyn; RABBI ABRAHAM CROENBACH; DOROTHY DAY, editor of the CATHOLIC WORKER; RABBI DR. MEYER SHARFF; DR. GEORGE SARTON, Professor of Mathematics, Harvard University and President of the International Union of the History of Science; RABBI FRANKLIN COHN; HONORABLE ROBERT KENNY, Los Angeles; DR. W. E. B. DU BOIS, author; REV. AMOS MURPHY, Boston; REV. STEPHEN

EVEN THOSE WHO BELIEVE THEM GUILTY PROTEST THE UNEQUAL, UNJUST SENTENCE AND ARE ASKING THE PRESIDENT FOR COMMUTATION

DOROTHY THOMPSON, The Washington Star, April 12, 1951: "The death sentence . . . depresses me . . . in 1944, we were not at war with the Soviet Union. . . . Indeed, it is unlikely that had they been tried in 1944 they would have received any such sentence."

MAX LERNER, New York Post, June 19, 1952: "I agree that the death sentence was unprecedented and harsh."

THE VERY REV. C. W. CHANDLER, Dean of Waikato, Hamilton, New Zealand, October 27, 1952: "Assuming that Julius and Ethel Rosenberg are guilty, it must be borne in mind that it was during World War II, when Russia was an ally, that these persons committed their offense. As heinous as the offense may be, it does not merit a death sentence, and I cannot believe that in this instance the president of your republic will allow this sentence to stand."

JEWISH DAILY FORWARD, article by editor Hillel Rogoff, October 16, 1952: "When Judge Irving Kaufman passed the death sentence on the Rosenbergs, the Jewish Daily Forward

wrote that the sentence was too horrible. We have not changed our minds. . . . We express our hope that the president will save the Rosenbergs from the electric chair."

THE NATION, article by Arthur Garfield Hays, November 8, 1952: ". . . We may try, but we cannot forget the two young Rosenberg children. . . . It is the damnable death penalty that causes the uneasiness."

JEWISH MORNING JOURNAL, column by Jacob Glatstein, October 29, 1952: "One can readily see that America can very well agree not to snuff out the lives of the Rosenberg couple and not to give them the maximum penalty, which our country has never before given anyone in time of peace, and which was not given even to Dr. Klaus Fuchs, who much more directly, scientifically and consciously betrayed his country."

JEWISH DAY, editorial, October 16, 1952: ". . . believing in our democratic system of justice and in the just application of our laws, we feel that we are entitled to appeal to the President that he should commute the death sentence. . . ."

UP FOR THE ROSENBERGS:

FRITCHMAN, Los Angeles; YURI SUHL, author: NELSON ALGREN, author: a Group of Catholic Laymen associated with the CATHOLIC WORKER [Michael Harrington, Robert Ludlow, Martin Corbin, Isidore Fazio, Charles McCormack, Roger O'Neill]; PROF. ROLAND H. BAINTON, Yale Divinity School; DR. PAUL L. WHITELY, Franklin and Marshall College; RABBI ABRAHAM HORVITZ; REV. H. M. LESTER; RABBI L. A. GREENBERG; REV. THOMAS McCANDLESS, New York; REV. CHARLES WILLIAM CAMPBELL, Albany, N. Y., and thousands of others. (Names of organizations and institutions are given solely for purposes of identification.)



***We Americans Ask for Clemency and Equal Justice for Ethel
and Julius Rosenberg and their children, aged nine and five***

DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:

In the New York Herald Tribune of October 19, 1952, it was noted that the government declared that the Rosenbergs "were part of the spy ring in which Dr. Klaus Fuchs, the British atomic scientist, was the key man."

Mr. President, if Dr. Fuchs, "THE KEY MAN," is sentenced to 14 years, why are the Rosenbergs sentenced to DEATH?

Our Constitution gives you, Mr. President, the constitutional right, and lays upon you the constitutional duty, to render EQUAL justice by commuting the death sentences.

You exercised this right on July 25, 1952, when you commuted the death sentence of Oscar Collazo, who had been sentenced to death for an alleged attempt to assassinate you.

You can and should exercise this right again to save the lives of the Rosenbergs.

What Can You, American Men and Women, Do?

1. Send a letter, telegram, or postal card to the President, The White House, Washington, D. C., respectfully urging him to commute the death sentence for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.
2. Send a similar letter, telegram, or postal card to your own Congressman and to your two U.S. Senators, respectfully urging them to speak up for a commutation of sentence for the Rosenbergs.
3. Ask your organization—church, union, synagogue, veterans' group, women's auxiliary, social club, bridge club—to send similar letters to the President and other officials.
4. Write to your local newspaper, and visit the editors with a delegation, asking them editorially to speak up for equal American justice for the Rosenbergs.
5. Send a contribution—whatever you can afford—to the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case to help us carry on this work. Checks may be made out to Joseph Brainin, Chairman, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, N. Y. Tell us what else you think should be done.

RECEIVED 12.13.52
FROM AFAC CSNY 426

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 12/17/52

FROM : S/A John L. Fagan

SUBJECT: National Committee To Secure Justice
in the Rosenberg case.

On 12/13/52 at 3:00 pm while the writer and S/A Robert M. Powell were conducting a perambulation on another matter in the vicinity of 24th St and 36th St., Long Island City, a car caravan, in connection with the Rosenberg defense, was observed. The car in this caravan carried posters advocating the writing to President TRUMAN to "save the Rosenbergs". The entire caravan was not observed. The New York license numbers of the last four participating vehicles are as follows:

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Harrington

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: December 17, 1952

FROM :

CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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() CSNY 425, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office, evidence concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 80 Fifth Avenue, New York City. This building is occupied by National Headquarters of the IWO.

(x) CSNY 426, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from 35 E. 12th St., N.Y.C. This building is occupied by the following organizations, which are all under the control of the Communist Party: Publishers New Press, Inc. ("Worker" and "Daily Worker"); Morning Freiheit Association ("Morning Freiheit" and "Jewish Life"); Workers' Bookshop; F & D Printing Co.; 12th - 13th Realty Corporation. Prior to September, 1951, the National State and N. Y. County offices of the Communist Party also occupied these premises.

Strict care must be exercised so that the existence of this important source of evidence will not become known to any outside agency. It is also to be noted that because of the nature of this source of information it will be impossible to recontact the source regarding information furnished.

Date information received December 12, 1952

Identity of employee who can testify as to the receipt of the exhibit SA J. E. GIBLER AND SA V. H. MC FEE

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman

DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

1050 SIXTH AVE.
NEW YORK 18, N.Y.
BRyan 9-9894

PRESS RELEASE

for immediate release
December 3, 1952

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The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case addressed a telegram today to the major metropolitan newspapers - N.Y. Times, Herald-Tribune, Daily News, World-Telegram, N.Y. Post - requesting paid space to place the plea for clemency for the Rosenbergs before the people of the City of New York.

The text of the telegram follows:

Our Committee is prepared to place in your newspaper a full-page paid advertisement seeking clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg subject to your rates and any legal restriction on text. We request your immediate response to this request.

Joseph Brainin, Chairman,
National Committee to Secure
Justice for the Rosenbergs

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H. Hughes
3301
205 W-34

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 17, 1952

Mr. George Farrell
1550 Unionport Road
New York 62, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Farrell:

I wish to thank you for your note to Special Agent Taylor of this office, enclosing material of interest to this office.

You may be assured this matter will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

100-107111
JAN:IM

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

Rich
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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 353 DATE 12-18-52

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December 18, 1952

Memo

Re: The National Committee to Secure
Justice in the Rosenberg Case
1050-6th Ave., New York City
Internal Security - C
(NY 100-107111)

101-4550-3974
101-4550-3974

Dr. LOUIS BEHR KAHN, DDS, 781 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York, called at the New York Office on this date and furnished SA RICHARD G. MEYERS with two circulars sent him through the mails in an envelope postmarked December 16, 1952. These circulars were published by captioned Committee, and are being assigned to ~~the~~ exhibit section of this file. These circulars urge the addressees to write to President TRUMAN urging the commuting of the sentences of the ROSENBERGS.

Richard Meyers
SA

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J. A. Harrington

National Committee to Secure
Justice in Rosenberg Case -
IS-C

Dec 19/52

Attached pamphlet picked up at
entrance to Brooklyn College Campus 12-18-52
by SA J. Russell, Sec 11

John A. Harrington
SA

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VOIE APPEAL

- - To you who not say "guilty"
- - To you who not say "innocent"
- - To you who not say "doubtful"

• YOU MUST NOW SAY CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS

WE BELIEVE THAT THE ENTIRE BROOKLYN COLLEGE STUDENT BODY CAN REACH ONE AGREEMENT ABOVE AND ALSO IN THIS CASE... THAT:

THIS IS THE FIRST TIME IN THE HISTORY OF OUR COUNTRY THAT A CIVIL COURT HAS IMPOSED THE DEATH SENTENCE FOR A CHARGE OF ESPIONAGE. NO PERSON COMMITTING TREASON, THE GRAVEST OF ALL CRIMES, HAS EVER BEEN EXECUTED.

- Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose - Ten (10) years each.
- The famous Holzman Case (four men who gave vital secrets to Germany in the fall of 1941) - 5 to 10 years.

THE DEATH SENTENCE IS UNPRECEDENTED, EXCESSIVE, CRUEL

Samuel MORRIS JOURNAL, column by Jacob Glatstein, October 29, 1952:

"One can readily see that America can very well agree not to snuff out the lives of the Rosenberg couple and not to give them the maximum penalty, which our country has never before given anyone in time of peace, and which was not given even to Dr. Klaus Fuchs, who much more directly, scientifically and consciously betrayed his country."

DOROTHY HENKINSON, The Washington Post, April 18, 1952:

"The death sentence ... depresses me ... In 1942, we were not at war with the Soviet Union ... Indeed, it is unlikely that had they been tried in 1944 they would have received any such sentence."

MAX LERACH, New York Post, June 12, 1952:

"I agree that the death sentence was unprecedented and harsh."

WE URGE -

THAT BASED UPON THIS ONE ABOVE AGREEMENT YOU, OUR PEERS - CLASSMATES

• Sit out in your club - send a letter to President Truman.

• Stop at our table - read the material.

• Send a CARD TO THE PRESIDENT URGING CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS.

WE ASK EVERY STUDENT WHO WOULD HELP US TO CARRY OUT THIS CAMPAIGN!

THANK YOU.

Joan Borovitz
Sabina Chubere
Norma Goldfinger
Helo Goldstein

Seymour Jacobs
Harriet Katz
Marion Levine
Annelise Markowitz

Stance Morhead
Lorraine Rubak
Ray Stollman
Lore Pasternan

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A Harrison

DEC. 19, 1952

Gentlemen:

I wish to report that the other day I received a letter which sounded very unamerican to me. I don't know how many people have received such letters in my neighborhood, or if you people have heard of this organization. But to me it sounds like a communist way to confuse the issue by involving religion, and creating discord. I am enclosing the letter so you may review it, what I would like to know is how they manage to pick out certain names for there purposes whatever they may be. That made me angry and upset to see the letter addressed to me. This may not mean anything but I feel if every citizen would report anything of value to your bureau, it would help greatly in the fight for internal security.

SINCERELY YOURS

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Bronx 55, N. Y.
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WASARE-H.J.

12/19/52

Transmit the following Teletype message to:

AIR - TEL

DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC NEW YORK

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS - C. UNIT
DAYLET. [REDACTED] REPORTED TODAY THAT THE NEW YORK

OFFICE OF THE COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE HAS ADVISED THE NEWARK OFFICE OF THE CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS THAT THERE MAY BE DRASTIC CHANGES IN THE PLANS FOR THE CRUSADE TO WASHINGTON WHICH HAS BEEN REPORTED AS BEING SET FOR JANUARY 4, 1953. ACCORDING TO THE SOURCE, IT APPEARS THAT THE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN UNSUCCESSFUL IN OBTAINING A PLACE TO HOUSE THE EXPECTED 4000 WEEKEND DELEGATES AND IS CONSIDERING A PLAN TO CALL A NATIONWIDE CONFERENCE IN WASHINGTON, D.C. TO BE ATTENDED ONLY BY 300 PEOPLE. INSTEAD OF THE MASS TRIP TO WASHINGTON THE 3000 OR 4000 EXPECTED, PARTICIPANTS WILL UNDERTAKE TO SECURE 10 OR 15 LETTERS OR TELEGRAMS, NO POSTCARDS, TO BE SENT TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN ON THAT ONE WEEKEND. IN THAT WAY OVER 50,000 LETTERS WILL BE DISPATCHED TO THE PRESIDENT WITHIN A FEW DAYS.

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MC KEE

LND

CC: NK 100-36202 (COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE)
REG. MAIL

Approved: _____
Special Agent in Charge

Sent _____ M Per _____

MR. TOLSON
MR. BOARDMAN
MR. BELMONT
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MR. NICHOLS
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BUREAU.....

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, IS DASH C. DASH LET [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISES CRC SOLD ONLY ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY TICKETS FOR TRIP WITH DELEGATION TO OSSINING, DECEMBER TWENTY ONE, NEXT, BUT HAVE PROMISES FOR TWO HUNDRED FROM FURRIERS UNION AND EXPECT DELEGATION TO NUMBER APPROXIMATELY EIGHT HUNDRED. CRC ENCOURAGING ALL ALL PARTICIPANTS IN DELEGATION TO TRAVEL IN SPECIAL EIGHT COACH TRAIN LEAVING GRAND CENTRAL, ELEVEN THIRTY A.M. AND RETURNING THREE P.M. SAME DATE. CRC WILL REALIZE DOLLAR PROFIT ON EACH ROUND TRIP TICKET SOLD AT TWO DOLLARS AND FORTY TWO CENTS. [REDACTED] NEW YORK CENTRAL RAILROAD

REPRESENTATIVE, ADVISES FINAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH MOLLIE BLOK AND ELAINE ROSS OF CRC CALL FOR MINIMUM OF FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY PEOPLE IN DELEGATION WITH SEVEN HUNDRED FIFTY EXPECTED. CRC HOLDING QUOTE REPORT BACK RECEPTION UNQUOTE, FOR DELEGATION TO OSSINING WHICH WILL BE HELD DECEMBER TWENTY THREE, NEXT, MANHATTAN TOWERS HOTEL, NYC. NIGHTLY VIGIL SPONSORED BY ROSENBERG COMMITTEE AT CRANE SQUARE, BRONX, TO END DECEMBER TWENTY FOUR, NEXT, AT WHICH TIME TWENTY FOUR HOUR VIGIL UNDER ROSENBERG COMMITTEE SPONSORSHIP WILL COMMENCE IN FRONT OF WHITE HOUSE,

3-Bureau
(NY 100-10711) (ROSENBERG COMMITTEE)
1- NY 100-89691 (CP USA, DOMESTIC ACTIVITIES)

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WASHINGTON, D.C. AND CONTINUE AS A QUOTE DEATH WATCH UNQUOTE,
UNTIL EXECUTION OF ROSENBERGS. ROSENBERG COMMITTEE CALLING
FOR NATIONAL GATHERING OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM ALL AUXILIARY
COMMITTEES AND ALLIED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY TO MEET AT
WASHINGTON, D.C., JANUARY FOUR, NEXT, TO PETITION PRESIDENT
TRUMAN FOR CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS. INFORMANT ADVISES THAT
ROSENBERG COMMITTEE'S SPECIFIC PLANS FOR WASHINGTON GATHERING
NOT YET COMPLETED BUT CP CLUBS LOCALLY ALREADY BEING ASKED
BY THEIR LEADERS TO ENDEAVOR TO SEND AS MANY REPRESENTATIVES
AS POSSIBLE TO JANUARY FOUR GATHERING, WASHINGTON, D.C.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

b7d

BOARDMAN

67 WEST 3RD ST
NEW YORK 25 N.Y.

F.B.I.
New York

DEAR SIR:

The enclosed letter sent me explains itself. I presume that you keep a list of all the communist names those mentioned as sponsors. This list is only partial. Hope you get the full list.

This is an outrage on the American people adding insult to injury to endeavor to save Ethel Rosenberg for the crime they committed
"WORSE THAN MURDER"

I would have every person connected with this traitorous outfit investigated. EVERY SINGLE contributor is a communist or fellow traveler

Sincerely

TBA GROTE

Michael
Grote
JMG

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Mineola, L.I.N.Y.

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RE: COMMITTEE FOR PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVES
IS-C

Today [redacted] telephoned the writer and furnished the following information. [redacted] Levittown Hall, Levittown Parkway & Beech St., Levittown, N.Y. b7d

[redacted] stated this hall is maintained for the benefit of the residents of Levittown as a meeting place for the residents and legitimate Levittown organizations.

In this connection he stated [redacted] hall on Saturday evening December 20, 1952. [redacted] stated this organization has been a controversial issue in Levittown as in the past it has been questioned as to whether or not it was subversive. [redacted] stated from inquiries he had not been able to establish this organization to be subversive through the Civil Service Commission or other government organizations including the FBI. b7d

[redacted] stated that [redacted] had advised him that the purpose of the meeting of the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives for Saturday night is to make a public plea for clemency for the Rosenbergs.

[redacted] advised he would [redacted] attend the meeting and he would advise the writer of the outcome and the identities of the speakers and other information. b7d

[redacted] stated he intended to notify the local newspapers however he would not mention he had contacted the FBI and our conversation would be kept in confidence.

KENNETH R. ROUTON

cc 100-107111 ✓

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COMPLAINT FORM

CIVIL LIBERTIES MARCH FOR THE ROSENBERGS.

Subject's Name and Aliases

Unknown

Address of Subject

IS-R

Character of Case

JAY DUNLEAVY

Name of Complainant

216 Furman St. Peekskill, N.Y.

Address of Complainant

PEEKSKILL 7-2282

Telephone Number of Complainant

12/20/50 4:30 pm

Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: Complainant telephonically advised that he had been attempted to contact SA WILLIAM WALSH, White Plains, N.Y., without success. Complainant stated that he wanted to advise SA WALSH that he had learned that the "CIVIL LIBERTIES MARCH FOR THE ROSENBERGS" was scheduled for Sunday, December 21, 1950 at Ossining, N.Y. Complainant also stated that EUGENE HIRSCH, whom he described as a "strong arm man," might be at the meeting in Ossining. Complainant said he had discussed HIRSCH previously with SA WALSH and he was not in a position to give more of the facts to the writer. He requested that SA WALSH be advised of the information and that SA WALSH telephonically

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

Route to agent assigned Rosenberg case.

SA WALSH advised 9⁴⁵ AM 12/20/50

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COMPLAINT FORM

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*no other refs.
1/26/53*

HELEN COHN Secretary Levittown Clemency Committee

Mr. Braun / Telephone
Name of Complainant
Company contact of Mr. Tom McQuinn
Address of Complainant

*no other refs.
1/27/53*
#6 Bow White Lane, Hicksville, L. I., N.Y.
Address of Subject
Internal Security - R
Character of Case

Telephone Number of Complainant
12/20/52 8:30 PM
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

*Helene M.
100-36787
107117*

FACTS OF COMPLAINT: *Mr. Braun, NY Telephone contact, advised that the 12/12/52 issue of the "Levittown Eagle" contains on page 12 a paid advertisement entitled "Should They Die? Hear the Facts in the Case of Julius & Ethel Rosenberg". The article indicated that a meeting sponsored by the "Levittown Clemency Committee" Helen Cohn Secretary #6 Bow White Lane Hicksville, would be held in Levittown Hall on Saturday, 12/20/52 at 8³⁰ PM.*

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

Route to Mr. Cavanaugh

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BUREAU
WASHINGTON FIELD

CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, IS-C, DAYLET. RENT AIRTEL DECEMBER TWENTY LAST.

[REDACTED] ADVISED DELEGATION NUMBERING APPROXIMATELY SEVEN
HUNDRED FIFTY REPRESENTATIVES FROM MASS ORGANIZATION AND TRAVELED ON
VISITED OSSING, NY, DECEMBER TWENTY ONE LAST PER SCHEDULED OUTLINE
IN RFP AIRTEL WITHOUT INCIDENT. APPROACHES IN AREA OF OSSING, NY
PRISON BLOCKED OFF BY POLICE WHO AUTHORIZED DELEGATION TO HOLD OPEN
MEETING IN ADJOINING SQUARE. CP ARRL AT LATTER MEETING INCLUDED KAREN
FORNEY, HOWARD PAST, ROSALEE MC GEE, WILLIAM L. PATTERSON ALL OF WHOM
CALLED FOR CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS AND DESCRIBED TREATMENT OF ROSENBERGS
AS AN ATTACK ON BILL OF RIGHTS. AFTER LATTER MEETING A SMALL GROUP
INCLUDING PATTERSON, PAST, MC GEE AND BESSIE MITCHELL, WERE PERMITTED
BY POLICE TO TAKE FLOWER TO THE PRISON FOR DELIVERY TO ROSENBERGS.
THIS GROUP RETURNED TO THE SQUARE IN FIFTEEN MINUTES AND THE ENTIRE
ASSEMBLY THEREAFTER RETURNED TO THE STATION WHERE THEY STAYED UNTIL
THEIR TRAIN DEPARTED FOR NY AT ABOUT TWO FORTY P.M. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

INFORMANT ADVISED THAT ALTHOUGH LOCAL

ROSENBERG COMMITTEES SUPPORTED CP IN ORGANIZED OSSING THE
BUREAU (RM) ALL INFORMATION CONTAINED
WASHINGTON FIELD (RM) HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED
DATE 10-10-88 BY SP-6 [REDACTED] 100-107111 (NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO ABOLISH HUAC) (ROSENBERGS)

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NEW YORK, NEW YORK
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NATIONAL ROSENBERG COMMITTEE DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN INSTANT DELEGATION
AND IS NOT PARTICIPATING IN CRC RECEPTION DECEMBER TWENTY THREE NEXT
AT MANHATTAN TOWERS, NYC, BECAUSE OF PREJUDICIAL PROSPECTS OF
ROSENBERGS FOR CLEMENCY. INFORMANT FEELS LATTER SITUATION DUE BECAUSE
OF GREATER DOMINATION BY COMMUNISTS IN LOCAL ROSENBERG COMMITTEES
THAN IN THE NATIONAL ROSENBERG COMMITTEE. THE NATIONAL ROSENBERG
COMMITTEE'S TWENTY FOUR HOUR VIGIL PLANNED IN WASHINGTON, D.C. HAS NOW
BEEN MOVED UP TO START DECEMBER TWENTY SEVEN NEXT AND THE GATHERING
THERE OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM ROSENBERG COMMITTEES AND ALLIED GROUPS
THROUGHOUT US HAS BEEN MOVED IN FROM JANUARY FOUR TO JANUARY FIVE,
FIFTY THREE. FOR INFO.

BOA EDMAN

~~CONFIDENTIAL~~
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11 HIGHLAND PLACE
WAVERLY HILLS
GREAT NECK, N. Y.

December 22, 1952

Federal Bureau of Investigation
290 Broadway
New York, New York

Attn: Mr. L. V. Boardman,
Special Agent in Charge

Gentlemen:

The enclosed letter and material was received by us Saturday, December 20th. Perhaps I am unreasonably annoyed at being on a list that would seem to assume that I might be sympathetic to the Rosenberg cause. Actually, in view of the many thousands of lives lost already and those to be lost because of the actions of these ungrateful people, I think their execution has been delayed too long.

However, the main point in sending you the attached is that in case no one else has sent you this material, you may be interested in reviewing the activities of this committee and their sponsors.

Very truly yours

F. T. Brown
Frederick T. Brown

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J. G. Harrington

*Summary of report
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DIRECTOR, FBI AND SAC'S NEW YORK AND WASHINGTON FIELD

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS - C, DAYTON

b-2 [REDACTED] REPORTS THAT THE NEW YORK OFFICE OF THE ROSENBERG COMMITTEE HAS ADVISED THE N.J. CIO THAT THE ROSENBERG VIOL IN WASHINGTON WILL START ON DECEMBER 27, 1952. ON JANUARY 4, 1953 THERE WILL BE A GATHERING AT INSPIRATION HOUSE, 2867 KALORAMA ROAD, WASHINGTON, D.C. THE NEW YORK TRAIN TAKING PARTICIPANTS TO WASHINGTON ON JANUARY 5 WILL LEAVE NEW YORK 6:45 A.M. TICKETS COSTING \$12.00 MUST BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE ROSENBERG COMMITTEE IN NEW YORK. ACCORDING TO INFORMANT ROSENBERG COMMITTEE MEMBERS IN NEW YORK AND NEW JERSEY VERY ANXIOUS TO DETERMINE CONTENT OF TELEGRAM SENT BY ONE DR. URIE (PH) WHICH ACCORDING TO THE INFORMANT HAS ACTUALLY REACHED THE PRESIDENT. ACCORDING TO THE INFORMANT CONTENT OF TELEGRAM HAS NOT YET BEEN MADE PUBLIC. SAME INFORMANT REPORTS THAT HOUSE MEETINGS OF ROSENBERG COMMITTEE WILL BE HELD TONIGHT DECEMBER 22, 1952 IN HILLSIDE, N.J. AND IN ELIZABETH, N.J., SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1952. INFORMANT REPORTS LEWIS MOROZE, OF N.J. CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, SCHEDULED AS GUEST SPEAKER BOTH MEETINGS.

MC KIF

REGISTERED MAIL

W
- MR. BOARDMAN
- MR. WHELAN
- MR. HADGETT
- MR. MACLEOD
- MR. CROGAN
- MR. FITZGERALD
- MR. GARDNER
- MR. HARRIS
- MR. LEE
- MR. NICHOLS
- MR. ROSEN
- MR. TOLSON
- MR. WATSON
- MR. WHELAN
- MR. WILSON
- MR. WOOD
- MR. YERGEN
- MR. ZIEGLER
- MR. BOARDMAN
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- MR. YERGEN
- MR. ZIEGLER

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Memo from

R. A. WHITE

38 MIDDLE NECK ROAD
GREAT NECK, NEW YORK.

GREAT NECK 2-0921-2

Date: 12/22/52

To: Spec Agent in Charge

Re: Rosenberg Case -

The enclosed was given me by Mr. Farley, one of our members - This is the only one that has come to my attention.

James R. White
Chas. A. Fowler Jr Post #160
American Legion

Routing card filed
Emergency petition
enclosed & destroyed per
J. A. Harrington

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102nd Engineer Post, NYC,

appeared at the New York Office on 12-17-52

and advised that he had been to a

40-8 party (a honor society of
the American Legion) at the Manhattan Tavern
Hotel, Broadway, & 76th St., NYC,

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12-15-52. After arriving at the party they
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learned that there was a Communist
meeting being held at the hotel that same
evening. A group of the Legionnaires went
to [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] ^{said} there was a meeting
of the Committee to Secure Justice in the
Rosenberg Case in that hotel that evening. He
said there was not much he could do
about it [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
[REDACTED] a reservation for the Civil Rights Congress in the near future. b7d

[REDACTED] seemed to be in favor of the Legionnaire & said that he realized he would be put out of business if the Communist organization met him frequently.

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] submitted pamphlets which he received at the Hotel Manhattan Tower on 12-15-52

Robert C. Blount
Special Agent

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 23, 1952

Mr. Charles Vega
627 Wales Avenue
Bronx 55, New York

Dear Mr. Vega:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 19, 1952,
with enclosures.

Your interest in making this information available to us
is indeed appreciated. You may be assured it will receive appropriate
attention.

Very truly yours,

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 23, 1952

Mr. Frederick T. Brown
11 Highland Place
Waverly Hills
Great Neck, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Brown:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 22, 1952,
with enclosed material which you thought might be of interest to
this office.

Your interest in forwarding this information to us is
indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 23, 1952

Mr. Henry H. Barroll
2 East Mill Drive
Apartment 1-E
Great Neck, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Barroll:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 16th and to thank you again for making this information available to this office.

Very truly yours,

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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TO : SAC, NEW YORK (100-107111)

FROM : SAC, PHILADELPHIA (100-37667)

SUBJECT: THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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IS-C

DATE: 12/23/52

On 11/25/52, Confidential Source PH-240-S, of known reliability, made available to SE ALBERT COOPER two copies of a leaflet entitled, "The Rosenberg Case - A Fact Sheet," published by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, N. Y. One copy was in English and the other in Yiddish, which was translated by HARRY TOPLAN of the Philadelphia Division. His translation is being forwarded to the New York Division along with two copies of the leaflet.

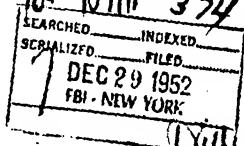
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DATE: 12/23/52

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This leaflet is being forwarded to the New York Division along with another two-page leaflet which is both in English and in Yiddish.

This leaflet was published by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York 18, N. Y. This is a "Statement of the Rosenberg Case by a Distinguished Leader of Orthodox Jewry, RABBI DR. MEYER SHARFF."

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REGISTERED MAIL

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cc: [REDACTED] (PH-240-S)

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1. A lithographic copy of a leaflet issued by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 246 Fifth Avenue, New York, N. Y. This leaflet is entitled, "A FACT SHEET ON ANTI-SEMITISM IN THE CASE: NEWSPAPER COMMENT." This leaflet made notations from the following:
 - a. NEW YORK TIMES
 - b. SENTINEL (Chicago English Jewish Weekly)
 - c. JEWISH EXAMINER
 - d. JEWISH DAILY FORWARD
 - e. THE JEWISH DAY
 - f. INDIANAPOLIS JEWISH CHRONICLE
 - g. CALIFORNIA JEWISH VOICE
 - h. JEWISH LIFE
 - i. CANADIAN JEWISH WEEKLY
2. A printed booklet entitled, "AN APPEAL FOR CLEMENCY." This booklet was reprinted by "Weekly Guardian Associates, Inc.," publishers of National Guardian, the progressive newsweekly, 17 Murray Street, New York 7, N. Y. On the fact sheet of this booklet the following prices are listed:
 - 20 copies for \$1.00
 - \$3.00 per hundred
 - \$25.00 per thousand, post paid.

These two items are being forwarded to the New York Division.

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REGISTERED MAIL

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cc: [REDACTED] (PH-240-S)

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 FROM: SA DANIEL THOMAS
 SUBJECT: CHICAGO COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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[REDACTED] of known reliability, on November 17, 1952, furnished the writer a written report by way of the U.S. mail dated November 13, 1952, concerning [REDACTED] attendance at a Mercy Rally for the ROSENBERGS on November 12, 1952, at the Hamilton Hotel as follows:

The above report will be filed in [REDACTED] b7d

According to the informant, the following persons were on the platform:

Reverend WILLIAM T. BAIRD
 HEROLD ROSEN
 JO GRANAT
 STEPHEN LOVE
 IDELL UMBELS
 Rabbi FOX
 DAVID ALMIN

The informant further advised that [REDACTED] recognized the following persons in the audience:

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1-New York [REDACTED] (Registered)

100-1521 (Midwest Committee
 for Protection of Foreign
 Born)
 100-3810 (Chicago Council
 of American-Soviet Friend-
 ship)

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[REDACTED] b7d

[REDACTED]

HAROLD ROSEN introduced STEPHEN LOVE, professor of law, Northwestern University, who stated that his speech would have to be short and his departure abrupt as he was leaving for New York City. LOVE stated "I would just love to hear Rabbi Fox but will have to discard my Communist clothes, hurry into a business suit and get to New York."

Rabbi FOX was the next speaker and stated concerning the Communists that he is not one, never will be, and that he does not like them, that they are stealing his articles and running them in their papers, that he has absolutely no use for the Communist, that he made certain before he consented to be on the program that it was not sponsored by any subversive group or any kind of political group and that he is an American and that if anyone felt any different they might as well get up and leave.

Informant stated that approximately one-third of the audience left but not in a body and they left in [REDACTED] opinion because of the late hour and not because of the remarks made by FOX. b7d


FOX further stated that he was sure the ROSENBERGS were guilty as he has the utmost faith in our courts but he felt that the death penalty was too severe and he believes that President TRUMAN and God should grant clemency to the ROSENBERGS. FOX further stated that he loves this country except for MC CARTHY, MC CARREN, the criticism of our great professors and scientists and investigations.

SAC

RE: CHICAGO COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG
CASE

IDELL UMBLES gave a very short talk on the ROSENBERG case from the mother's viewpoint.

WORLD ROSEN called for a collection and some people, names unknown to the informant, gave \$100. Informant stated that

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It was announced that it takes a total of \$450 a month to take care of the ROSENBERG children.

Informant also made available at this time, a leaflet entitled, "Peace and Friendship, USA and USSR" which reflects that JESSICA SMITH, editor, New World Review, and Dr. HARRY F. WARD, professor, would be the principle speakers at a meeting sponsored by the Chicago Council of American Soviet Friendship on November 23, 1952, at the Peoples Auditorium at 2457 West Chicago Avenue.

This leaflet will be filed in 100-3810-1B3(96).

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LABOR COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS
1050-6 Ave. N.Y. 18, N.Y. Bryant-2-9683

PRESS RELEASE

for immediate release
Dec. 17, 1952

A.F.L. BAKERS' LOCAL BACKS BRITISH-ATTORNEY'S
ANALYSIS, URGES CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS
8,000 British Distributive Workers,

Garment workers branch appeal to President

After studying an analysis of the Rosenberg case by D.N. PRITT, eminent British attorney, the Executive Board of Local 1, Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union, A.F.L., has wired President Truman urging he grant executive clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The A.F.L. local's telegram, a copy of which was forwarded to the Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, said that the Executive Board had unanimously gone on record urging clemency. It added, "Examination of the facts in the Rosenberg trial, as studied by the eminent British attorney, D.N. Pritt, without doubt reveals that proper justice would not be served in this case in carrying out the death sentence."

Abe Weisburd, secretary of The Labor Committee, also reported receipt copies of a cable to President Truman sent on behalf of 8,000 members of the Manchester Federation of the Union of the Shop, Distributive, and Allied Workers calling for "quashing of the death sentence and urging a retrial."

The No. 3 branch of the National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers in England has also protested against the Rosenbergs' death sentence as "based on the uncorroborated evidence of one person."

Earlier this week, the General Council of Ford Local 800, United Auto Workers, C.I.O., the largest union local in the world, representing 57,000 workers, passed a resolution putting the local's 216-man governing council on record in favor of clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

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NEWS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

From: The Detroit

Justice in the Rosenberg Case,

Dec. 10-1952

Mr. B. E. Goldberg, eminent Jewish Journalist, will speak in Detroit on "The Truth About the Rosenberg Case", on Saturday, Dec. 13th, 1952 at 9 P.M., at the Mayfair Hall, 13505 Dexter Blvd.

Mr. Goldberg, syndicated columnist for the JEWISH DAY, is one of America's most widely quoted writers on topics of Jewish interest. An international sponsor of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, Mr. Goldberg has appeared in several cities to urge clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. The Rosenbergs are now under the death sentence for "conspiracy to commit espionage", with the execution date set for the week of January 12, 1953.

The Rosenbergs have steadfastly maintained their innocence and an international movement is under way to halt the extreme sentence, the first in American peacetime history. Protests against the death sentence, obtained solely on the testimony of two admitted traitors, have come from 50,000 persons in the United States, together with thousands of Europeans.

In Israel, twenty Jerusalem Rabbis have urged President Truman to stay the execution. The London Trades Council, representing 600,000 British workers, last week picketed the American embassy with the sign "We Demand a Fair Trial for the Rosenbergs". In Trieste, 10,000 workers signed petitions urging clemency for the Rosenbergs, and leading figures in France, Italy, New Zealand, and other countries have protested the cruelty of the sentence.

The Rosenbergs are now awaiting the results of their petition to invalidate the conviction on the grounds that they did not receive a fair trial because of the climate of hysteria in which it was held. Petitions filed with the Federal Court also charge that the

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Hundreds of thousands
of Americans appeal
for clemency

THE ROSENBERGS MUST NOT DIE!

WILHELM ROGOFF, Editor
Jewish Daily Forward

Justice and compassion for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg

"Now all energies must be exerted toward one goal - to stop the execution. If this should succeed, then those who believe in the possibility of communicating them can attempt to do so." - Nov. 2, 1952

W. CATHER NORTH
Nashua, N.H., Wisconsin

Dear Mr. President:

As a priest I am as much opposed to Communism as anyone. But surely the sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg for passing on atomic information to Russia during the war surely is way out of line. In the interests of justice and decency, can you do something about their death penalty? Surely this would also be of value from the standpoint of propaganda.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Send a letter, telegram
or post card to The
President, White House
Washington, D. C. urging
him to commute the
death sentence for Ethel
and Julius Rosenberg.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

PRESS RELEASE DEC. 2, 1952
RELEASED TO PUBLIC DEC. 10, 1952

F.B.I. AGENT ADMITS GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN ROSENBERG CASE COMMITTED PERJURY

F.B.I. agent John A. Harrington admitted in an affidavit submitted today in U.S. District Court by the U.S. Attorney that Ben Schneider a government witness against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg had committed perjury in his testimony.

This admission came as a result of a defense charge that the prosecution knowingly permitted their witness to testify falsely, that the first time he saw the Rosenbergs since they allegedly ordered passport photographs from him, was the day he testified in court. (The alleged photographs were never produced in court.)

This charge, by defense counsel, was made in a petition submitted before U.S. District Judge Sylvester Ryan in the course of defense motions to set aside the verdict and order a new trial.

The defense also charged that David Greenglass, key witness against the Rosenbergs had given perjured testimony.

Joe Brainin, Chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case said, "This admission of perjury on the part of a witness, was very significant in judging the credibility of the government's witnesses. Especially since the government admitted to this only after the defense offered information that Schneider was secretly brought to court by the F.B.I. the day before he testified, to familiarize himself with the Rosenbergs."

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RABBIS OF JERUSALEM CALL FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS

TEXT OF SIGNED PETITION SENT BY RABBIS
OF STATE OF ISRAEL TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN

MR. PRESIDENT

WE THE UNDERSIGNED RABBIS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS OF THE HOLY LAND TAKE THE LIBERTY OF ADDRESSING YOUR EXCELLENCY PLEADING WITH YOU TO EXERT THE POWER OF CLEMENCY GIVEN YOU IN THE TRAGIC CASE OF JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG STOP WE DARE NOT ENTER INTO THE DETAILS OF TH TRIAL WHICH ENDED IN A JUDGMENT OF GUILT AND DEATH-SENTENCE THOUGH IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO IMAGINE THAT JEWS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD PARTICULARLY IN A LAND AS RICH IN MERIT AS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD ACT AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THEIR COUNTRY STOP AT LEAST WE KNOW OF NO SUCH HAPPENING IN THE LONG HISTORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE STOP

ALSO WE KNOW OF NO PRECEDENT IN WHICH ANY PERSON WAS CONDEMNED TO DEATH IN A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY ON A SIMILAR ACCUSATION IN PEACE-TIME STOP WHATEVER THE PARTICULARS WE APPEAL TO YOU MR PRESIDENT IN THE NAME OF GOD AND THE QUALITY OF MERCY TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THE COUPLE WHO ARE PARENTS OF TWO LITTLE CHILDREN STOP

EVEN IF WE ASSUME THAT THEY HAD SINNED AGAINST THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES THEY SHALL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO DO SO IF KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE BUT SOME DAY THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVE THEIR INNOCENCE STOP IN SUCH CASE YOUR CONSCIENCE AND THE CONSCIENCE OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE CLEAN NO INNOCENT LIFE SHALL HAVE BEEN TAKEN GUILTLESSLY STOP

LET YOUR EXCELLENCY CALL TO MIND THE MILLIONS OF GUILTLESS JEWS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES AT THE HANDS OF THE NAZIS DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR AND THE CLEMENCY THAT WAS EXTENDED TO THE PERPETRATORS OF THOSE MURDEROUS AND CRUEL ACTS OF MONSTROSITY STOP WE HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT AN ACT OF CLEMENCY IN THIS CASE IS EXCEEDINGLY VITAL AND YOUR NAME AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF AN HONORABLE PORTION OF MANKIND YOUR DEEP RELIGIOUS FEELING AND YOUR AWARENESS OF THE SPIRIT OF GOOD WITHIN YOU LEADS US TO LAY BEFORE YOU THIS OUR HUMBLE PETITION IN FULL HOPE THAT YOU WILL GRANT IT STOP

GOD ALONE KNOWS THE WHOLE TRUTH STOP MAY THIS YOUR CLEMENCY BE A FITTING CROWN TO YOUR GREAT CAREER STOP

SIGNED

GERSHON LAPIDOTH RUBEN MENGIS ELIJA MORDECAI WALKOVSKY
JACOB KLIMAS ISSER ZALMAN MELZER ZALMAN SOROTZKIN YEHIEL
YEHIEL SHLAGER EPHRAIM BLUM ISRAEL WALZ SHLOMO ZALMAN ZEVIN
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JACOB TAVITZKY MICHAL TIKVITZINSKY

Mail this leaflet

President Truman

White House

Washington, D. C.

I add my name to this message respectfully requesting clemency for Ethel
and Julius Rosenberg.

Name _____

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York 18, N. Y. BRyant 9-9694

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JOSEPH BRAININ

Chairman

DAVID ALMAN

Executive Secretary

1050 SIXTH AVE.

for release Dec. 18, 1952

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PHILADELPHIA VOTERS LEAGUE ASKS CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS

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Dr. Leonard Tamm
Dr. Gene Wallach

Philadelphia, Pa. — Pointing to the "tragic miscarriage of justice" in the Sacco-Vanzetti case, the Independent Voters' League of Germantown and Chestnut, which represents "citizens of all political parties united to secure good government", has appealed to President Truman to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The Voters' League, which is headed by Dorothy M. Wolff, includes Rabbi Elias Charry, Rev. J. Quinton Jackson and the Rev. Kenneth R. Forbes on its Executive Board.

In its clemency plea to President Truman, the Voters' League said, "Our organization is dedicated to preserving the protections guaranteed to our citizens by the American system of jurisprudence". The group called the Rosenbergs' death sentence "a totally unprecedented situation and one which is considered cruel and excessive by increasing numbers of people all over the world."

"Let us not be misled in a period of tension to cancel our hard-fought-for and cherished tradition of fair dealings with all," the plea added.

"Some of our members and their relatives", the Voters' League continued, "remember and participated in the effort to see justice done in the case of Sacco and Vanzetti who never swerved from their professions of innocence."

The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs, has urged all Americans who agree that the Rosenbergs' death sentences are too harsh to communicate their pleas for clemency to President Truman at the White House in Washington and to call any of their elected representatives to take similar actions.

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Committee To Secure Justice in The Rosenberg Case

PRESS RELEASE

for release Dec. 18, 1952

JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman
DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

APPEAL TO PUBLIC FOR \$50,000 FOR ROSENBERG
CLEMENCY EFFORT.

1050 SIXTH AVE
NEW YORK 18, N.Y.
BR post 5-6661

An emergency appeal to the American people for \$50,000 "to continue the legal and investigative work as well as the public campaign to win clemency for the Rosenbergs" was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs.

The committee reported that the response to its fourteen-month campaign has been "unprecedented in American history for its size, its geographic and political scope." But, the committee said, "in the last few weeks, tremendous sums have been expended in research, legal work and in reaching millions of Americans who have been given only one version of this case."

It called on all "who have rendered financial support, as well as those tens of thousands who have been moved to act for clemency in the last few weeks, to wire and mail as substantial a contribution as possible" to its national headquarters at 1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York.

In addition to investigative and research work, the committee listed the following as "must" projects in the next three weeks.

1 - Legal and last minute investigative efforts. (Recently, proof of perjury by a government witness was attested to by an FBI affidavit.)

2 - The printing of two and a half million pieces of literature urging letters to Pres. Truman for Executive Clemency.

3 - A day and night Clemency Vigil in Washington beginning on December 27th.

4 - A National Clemency Gathering and Prayer in Washington on Jan. 4th and 5th which will bring thousands of Americans from all over the country to the nation's capital.

5 - Radio, TV and newspaper advertising, wherever it can be purchased, both in the country's metropolitan centers as well as in grass roots areas.

6 - Continuing aid to the families of the Rosenberg and Morton Sobell.

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 24, 1952

Miss Ida Grote
67 West 93rd Street
New York 25, N.Y.

Dear Miss Grote:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 19, 1952 enclosing material which you thought might be of interest to this office.

Your interest in forwarding this information to me is indeed appreciated. You may be assured it will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

100-107111
JAH:IM

DELANE V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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AIR-TEL

PHILADELPHIA COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE - C.
DAYLET. PH-82-S* ADVISED ACCORDING TO JEAN HEANTJIS, SECRETARY, SUBJECT
COMMITTEE, "VIGIL" (SCHEDULED TO BEGIN WASHINGTON, D.C., 12/24/52, POSTPONED
UNTIL 12/27/52. IN ADDITION, CONFERENCE (SCHEDULED AT WASHINGTON, D.C.,
FOR 1/4/53 POSTPONED UNTIL 1/5/53, SINCE COMMITTEE UNABLE TO COMPLETE
ARRANGEMENTS FOR MEETING PLACE.

ALERTING

END.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation —
Gentlemen —

The enclosed was
found under my door — this
is #2 — Number 1 was put
down the incinerator this
I feel should be sent to you
so that you may know
what is going on.

Sincerely, Mary McLaughlin

41-29-41 Street 4E
Dumplings, L.I.N.Y.
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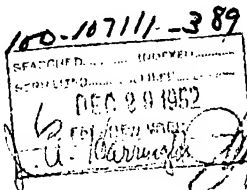
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FROM : SAC, NEW ORLEANS (100-14871)
SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
ISC
(New York Origin)

DATE: 12/26/52

My letter 10/20/52 requested information concerning captioned matter in order this office may be cognizant of attempts both locally and nationally. To date no report has been received.

Please expedite this request.

JML:gp



December 28, 1952

Gentleman.

Enclosing - a newspaper item.
I thought it would be of interest
to you. I do hope you make
a check on it.

Sincerely

Andrew Soley.

307 West 22. Street.

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New York City #11.
NPC in out file
see clipping from Daily
Mirror 12-29-52 entitled
"Gracie Labor" by Victor Rinal

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TO : SAC, New York

FROM : SAC, Philadelphia (100-37667)

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
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DATE: 12/29/52

Enclosed herewith are fourteen news releases of the captioned committee dating from 11/6/52, to 12/4/52. These releases were made available to SA MORGAN L. MIDTHUN by FH-244-S, of known reliability, on 12/10/52, and are being forwarded to the New York Office for such use or disposition as may be deemed advisable. These were addressed to the Jewish Community Center, 1100 North Third Street, Harrisburg, Pa.

MLM:ell

cc: 66-4244 - Sub A

Enc.

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RABBIS OF JERUSALEM CALL FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS

TEXT OF SIGNED PETITION SENT BY RABBIS
OF STATE OF ISRAEL TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN

MR. PRESIDENT

WE THE UNDERSIGNED RABBIS AND RELIGIOUS LEADERS OF THE HOLY LAND TAKE THE LIBERTY OF ADDRESSING YOUR EXCELLENCY PLEADING WITH YOU TO EXERT THE POWER OF CLEMENCY GIVEN YOU IN THE TRAGIC CASE OF JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG STOP WE DARE NOT ENTER INTO THE DETAILS OF THE TRIAL WHICH ENDED IN A JUDGMENT OF GUILT AND DEATH-SENTENCE THOUGH IT IS DIFFICULT FOR US TO IMAGINE THAT JEWS ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD PARTICULARLY IN A LAND AS RICH IN MERIT AS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA WOULD ACT AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF THEIR COUNTRY STOP AT LEAST WE KNOW OF NO SUCH HAPPENING IN THE LONG HISTORY OF THE JEWISH PEOPLE STOP

ALSO WE KNOW OF NO PRECEDENT IN WHICH ANY PERSON WAS CONDEMNED TO DEATH IN A DEMOCRATIC COUNTRY ON A SIMILAR ACCUSATION IN PEACE-TIME STOP WHATEVER THE PARTICULARS WE APPEAL TO YOU MR PRESIDENT IN THE NAME OF GOD AND THE QUALITY OF MERCY TO SAVE THE LIVES OF THE COUPLE WHO ARE PARENTS OF TWO LITTLE CHILDREN STOP

EVEN IF WE ASSUME THAT THEY HAD SINNED AGAINST THE LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES THEY SHALL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO DO SO IF KEPT UNDER SURVEILLANCE BUT SOME DAY THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO PROVE THEIR INNOCENCE STOP IN SUCH CASE YOUR CONSCIENCE AND THE CONSCIENCE OF THE UNITED STATES WOULD BE CLEAN NO INNOCENT LIFE SHALL HAVE BEEN TAKEN GUILTLESSLY STOP

LET YOUR EXCELLENCY CALL TO MIND THE MILLIONS OF GUILTLESS JEWS WHO LOST THEIR LIVES AT THE HANDS OF THE NAZIS DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR AND THE CLEMENCY THAT WAS EXTENDED TO THE PERPETRATORS OF THOSE MURDEROUS AND CRUEL ACTS OF MONSTROSITY STOP WE HONESTLY BELIEVE THAT AN ACT OF CLEMENCY IN THIS CASE IS EXCEEDINGLY VITAL AND YOUR NAME AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF AN HONORABLE PORTION OF MANKIND YOUR DEEP RELIGIOUS FEELING AND YOUR AWARENESS OF THE SPIRIT OF GOOD WITHIN YOU LEADS YOU TO LAY BEFORE YOU THIS OUR HUMBLE PETITION IN FULL HOPE THAT YOU WILL GRANT IT STOP

GOD ALONE KNOWS THE WHOLE TRUTH STOP MAY THIS YOUR CLEMENCY BE A FITTING CROWN TO YOUR GREAT CAREER STOP

SIGNED

GERSHON LAPIDOTH RUBEN MENGIS ELIJA MORDECAI WALKOVSKY
JACOB KLIMAS ISSER ZALMAN MELZER ZALMAN SOROTZKIN YEHIEL
YEHIEL SHLAGER EPHRAIM BLUM ISRAEL WATZ SHLOMO ZALMAN ZEVIN
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ABRAHAM KARELITZ JEHOSSUA WEINRECH ISRAEL WELZ HAIM JOEL DUB
JACOB TAVITZKY MICHAEL TIKUTZINSKY

Mail this leaflet

President Truman

White House

Washington, D. C.

I add my name to this message respectfully requesting clemency for Ethel
and Julius Rosenberg.

Name _____

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York 18, N. Y. BRyant 9-9694

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Hundreds of thousands
of Americans appeal
for clemency . . .

THE ROSENBERGS MUST NOT DIE!

HILLEL ROGOFF, Editor
Jewish Daily Forward

"Justice and compassion for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg."

"Now all energies must be exerted toward one goal — to stop the execution. If this should succeed, then those who believe in the possibility of vindicating them can attempt to do so." — Nov. 29, 1952

FATHER NORTH
Nashotch House, Wisconsin

Dear Mr. President:

As a priest I am as much opposed to Communism as anyone. But surely the sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg for passing on atomic information to Russia while she was our ally is way out of line. In the interests of justice and decency can't you do something about their death penalties? Surely this would also be of value from the standpoint of propaganda.

WHAT YOU CAN DO:

Send a letter, telegram
or post card to The . . .
President, White House,
Washington, D. C., urging
him to commute the
death sentence for Ethel
and Julius Rosenberg.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE
IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

PRESS RELEASE DEC. 2, 1952
RELEASED TO PUBLIC DEC. 10, 1952

F.B.I. AGENT ADMITS GOVERNMENT WITNESS IN ROSENBERG CASE COMMITTED PERJURY

F.B.I. agent John A. Harrington admitted in an affidavit submitted today in U.S. District Court by the U.S. Attorney that Ben Schneider a government witness against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg had committed perjury in his testimony.

This admission came as a result of a defense charge that the prosecution knowingly permitted their witness to testify falsely, that the first time he saw the Rosenbergs since they allegedly ordered passport photographs from him, was the day he testified in court. (The alleged photographs were never produced in court.)

This charge, by defense counsel, was made in a petition submitted before U.S. District Judge Sylvester Ryan in the course of defense motions to set aside the verdict and order a new trial.

The defense also charged that David Greenglass, key witness against the Rosenbergs had given perjured testimony.

Joe Brainin, Chairman of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case said, "This admission of perjury on the part of a witness, was very significant in judging the credibility of the government's witnesses. Especially since the government admitted to this only after the defense offered information that Schneider was secretly brought to court by the F.B.I. the day before he testified, to familiarize himself with the Rosenbergs."

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

From: The Detroit Committee for Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

Dec. 10-1952

Mr. B. E. Goldberg, eminent Jewish Journalist, will speak in Detroit on "The Truth About the Rosenberg Case", on Saturday, Dec. 20th, 1952 at 9 P.M., at the Mayfair Hall, 13305 Dexter Blvd.

Mr. Goldberg, syndicated columnist for the JEWISH DAY, is one of America's most widely quoted writers on topics of Jewish interest. A national sponsor of the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, Mr. Goldberg has appeared in several cities to urge clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. The Rosenbergs are now under the death sentence for "conspiracy to commit espionage", with the execution date set for the week of January 12, 1953.

The Rosenbergs have steadfastly maintained their innocence and an international movement is under way to halt the extreme sentence, the first in American peacetime history. Protests against the death sentence, obtained solely on the testimony of two admitted traitors, have come from 50,000 persons in the United States, together with thousands of Europeans.

In Israel, twenty Jerusalem Rabbis have urged President Truman to stay the execution. The London Trades Council, representing 600,000 British workers, last week picketed the American embassy with the sign "We Demand a Fair Trial for the Rosenbergs". In Trieste, 10,000 workers signed petitions urging clemency for the Rosenbergs, and leading figures in France, Italy, New Zealand, and other countries have protested the cruelty of the sentence.

The Rosenbergs are now awaiting the results of their petition to invalidate the conviction on the grounds that they did not receive a fair trial because of the climate of hysteria in which it was held.

Their petition, filed with the Federal Court, also charges that the

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LABOR COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS

100-6 Ave. N.Y. 19, N.Y.

BRF 19-2933

PRESS RELEASE

for immediate release
Dec. 17, 1952

A.F.L. BAKERS' LOCAL BACKS BRITISH ATTORNEY'S

ANALYSIS, URGES CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS

8,000 British Distributive Workers,

Garment workers branch appeal to President

After studying an analysis of the Rosenberg case by D.N. PRITT, eminent British attorney, the Executive Board of Local 1, Bakery and Confectionery Workers Union, A.F.L., has wired President Truman urging he grant executive clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

The A.F.L. local's telegram, a copy of which was forwarded to the Labor Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs, said that the Executive Board had unanimously gone on record urging clemency. It added, "Examination of the facts in the Rosenberg trial, as studied by the eminent British attorney, D.N. Pritt, without doubt reveals that proper justice would not be served in this case in carrying out the death sentence."

Abe Weisburd, secretary of the Labor Committee, also reported receipt copies of a cable to President Truman sent on behalf of 8,000 members of the Manchester Federation of the Union of the Shop, Distributive, and Allied Workers calling for quashing of the death sentence and urging a retrial.

The No. 3 branch of the National Union of Tailors and Garment Workers in England has also protested against the Rosenbergs' death sentence as "based on the uncorroborated evidence of one person."

Earlier this week, the General Council of Ford Local 800, United Auto Workers, C.I.O., the largest union local in the world, representing 57,000 workers, passed a resolution putting the local's 218-man governing council on record in favor of clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

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TO : SAC

DATE: 12-29-52

FROM : SA ROBERT A. SHERMAN

SUBJECT: COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR THE ROSENBERGS
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Attached hereto is literature received by Mrs. K. E. (JOAN)
FORSBERG, 50 Knightsbridge Road, Great Neck, N.Y. on December 22, 1952.

Mrs. FORSBERG stated that she had no idea how this organization
had secured her name

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 COMMITTEE FOR PEACEFUL ALTERNATIVES
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On this date, [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] telephonically ~~repeated~~ furnished information about the captioned organizations. b7d

[REDACTED] b7d

He stated that a meeting had been held on December 22, 1952 at the Levittown Community Hall by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case. He said that this organization had applied [REDACTED] but had been turned down. [REDACTED] stated that subsequently, the COMMITTEE for Peaceful Alternatives had applied for and received permission to use the hall on 12-22-52. He said that the meeting was then apparently turned over by the Committee for Peaceful Alternatives to the Rosenberg organization. b7d

[REDACTED] is submitting under separate cover a piece of literature listing names of the sponsors of the Rosenberg organization. He said that ROBERT ALEXANDER; ELAINE COHEN; HELEN COHEN (alleged correspondence secretary) and JOHN SHERMAN were alleged to have attended this meeting. SHERMAN in a letter to the editor column denied that he had been at the meeting, and HELEN COHEN in the same column corroborated SHERMAN'S statement. b7d

[REDACTED] the statement that 70 to 80 persons attended this meeting, and that of this number, about 25% were not residents of Levittown, and that another 20 to 25% were non supporters of the organization who attended to determine the identity of the supporters of the group.

RAS

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cc: 100- (Committee for Peaceful Alternatives)

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DIRECTOR, FBI

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CONGRESS ACTIVELY MAKING CONTACT WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF CRC IN VARIOUS
NEW JERSEY COUNTIES REGARDING DELEGATES TO PARTICIPATE IN ROSENBERG
VIGIL, WASHINGTON, D. C. NEXT WEEK. SAME INFORMANT REPORTS NEW JERSEY
PLANNING TENTATIVE OPEN AIR RALLY FOR ROSENBERGS TO BE HELD NEWARK AREA
JAN ELEVEN NEXT. DETAILS NOT YET AVAILABLE.

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REGISTERED MAIL

CC: NEW YORK (REGISTERED MAIL)

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS
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JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE ON DECEMBER TWENTYSEVEN LAST AT
EAST SIDE OF EAST EXECUTIVE AVENUE, WHITE HOUSE, WASHINGTON, D. C.
PICKET HAS CONTINUED ON TWENTYFOUR HOUR BASIS WITH NO MORE THAN
SIX PERSONS IN PICKET AT ANY ONE TIME. NATIONAL COMMITTEE OF
THIS ORG. ANNOUNCES A PERPETUAL VIGIL WILL BE MAINTAINED UNTIL
EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY IS GRANTED THE ROSENBERGS OR UNTIL THEY ARE
ELECTROCUTED. ALSO ANNOUNCED THAT EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO KEEP
FORCES MAINTAINING VIGIL TO FOUR PERSONS OR MORE BUT NOT TO BECOME
A MASS PICKET LINE. BUREAU WILL BE ADVISED OF PERTINENT
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290 Broadway
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December 30, 1952

Mr. James R. White
36 Middle Neck Road
Great Neck, N.Y.

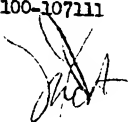
Dear Mr. White:

I wish to thank you for your note of December 22, 1952 with enclosures.

Your interest in making this information available to this office is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
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LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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TRUE COPY

Gentlemen

Great Neck N.Y.

This I consider an insult to our government so
I am sending in on for investigation

Respectfully

/S/Mrs E E Watkins

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J. A. Harrington

December 30, 1952

Mrs. E. E. Watkins
Treat Neck, New York

Dear Mrs. Watkins:

Your communication was received December 23, 1952, and the interest prompting you to bring the enclosed material to the attention of this Bureau is indeed appreciated.

If in the future you have information which you believe to be of interest to the FBI, I hope you will not hesitate to make it available to the representatives of our office at 290 Broadway, New York 7, New York.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

✓CC - New York, with copy of incoming
ATTENTION SAC: Correspondent enclosed literature distributed by the Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 16, New York.

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J. A. [Signature]

4 Summer Avenue,
Great Neck, Long Island
December 22, 1952

The Federal Bureau of Investigation,
Washington, D.C.

Gentlemen:

A few days ago I received the enclosed
Printed Matter in the mail.

Inconsistencies as Ethel and Julius Rosenberg seemed
a fair trial in my opinion and were found guilty,
I am turning this material over to you for your
inspection. The plea for saving these two traitors
seemed so much like the Communist lies and cry
that I felt it warranted your attention.

Sincerely

John F. Fulam

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[Handwritten signature/initials over stamp]

December 30, 1952

Mr. John C. Cullen
14 Summer Avenue
Great Neck, New York

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Dear Mr. Cullen:

Your letter dated December 22, 1952,
with enclosures, has been received.

I sincerely appreciate the interest
which prompted you to forward this material
to me.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

✓ CC - New York, with copy of incoming.
ATTENTION SAC: The enclosures include leaflets
and publicity distributed by the National
Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg
Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 10, New York.

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J. A. Harrington

2 East Mill Drive,
Apartment # 1E,
Great Neck, N. Y.,
December 30th, 1952

Mr. Leland V. Boardman,
Federal Bureau Of Investigation,
290 Broadway,
New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Boardman:

At the risk of annoying you I am taking the liberty of sending you the "2ND SALVO" of this propaganda to be sent to this development since the 15TH of this MONTH!

May I call your attention to the fact that this development here covers about 40 acres; and that there are about 640 apartments .

The envelope is stamped " Great Neck, Dec. 29/930a and I am inclined to think that there is some one who lives in this section who has collected these addresses from the mail boxes and sends them in to # 1050 Sixth Avenue.

In this connection please see my letter of nov. the 8th.

If this woman should call again I shall try to fall in with whatever idea she may be then presenting, and let you know her name and address.

Mrs. Alman had her picture taken with the Rev. Robert W. Hampshire, who is the rector of St. Thomas Episcopal Church at Farmingdale.

This individual later stated "that he was not familiar with the legal aspects of the Rosenberg case"! And that he was opposed to capital punishment!

I suppose your man has talked to him; but I am sure we could get at how they go about getting a dope like this to pose in a picture with them."

They are really pouring it into Long Beach, and long after the Rosenbergs are knocked off they will be collecting more and more for some other punks----just so they get the money!

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appeal enclosed
elaborated per
J.A. Harrington

Very Truly Yours,

James H. Barrell

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

MR. WHELAN
MR. PARSONS

Perkins

TO : SAC, New York

DATE

December 30, 1950

FROM : Director, FBI

SUBJECT: COMMUNIST FRONT ORGANIZATIONS
PROSECUTIVE SUMMARY REPORTS
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

MR. WHELAN
MR. WOHL
CHIEF CLERK
PERSONNEL UNIT
PROPERTY UNIT
TRAINING UNIT

Copies of this communication are being furnished to all offices in which prosecutions under the Smith Act have been or are being conducted and also to those offices in which the Department has expressed an interest in instituting such prosecutions. The instructions contained therein apply equally to all the above offices.

For your general background information, the Department has advised that in the event the Subversive Activities Control Board rules that the CP, USA, is a Communist action organization, petitions in Communist front organization cases, the titles and offices of origin of which are set forth hereafter, will be filed before the Board immediately following such ruling. To implement this program, the Department has requested prosecutive summary reports on these organizations. In addition, the Bureau has also set six additional organizations on which prosecutive summary reports must be prepared. The titles and offices of origin of these latter organizations are also set forth below.

Inasmuch as the Bureau will not expose any active live informants for proceedings before the Subversive Activities Control Board, it is incumbent upon each office receiving this communication that maximum utilization be afforded each witness who has been or will be exposed during the Smith Act proceedings.

With regard to those offices which have been or are presently involved in Smith Act prosecutions, an

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Immediate review should be made of all information furnished in the past by exposed witnesses for your assistance in contacting these individuals. Each of these exposed witnesses must be interviewed in detail with regard to instant organizations. Upon the completion of this program the Bureau should be advised under the caption of this communication the identity of each witness interviewed. Under the name of each witness you should indicate specifically the title of each organization, if any, concerning which information was furnished. Any pertinent information obtained from the above should be promptly furnished to the Bureau and the appropriate office of origin under the title of the particular organization involved.

In connection with the above interviews it is noted that sight should not be lost of the fact that in addition to the organizations mentioned herein, all other Communist front organizations fall within the purview of the Internal Security Act of 1950 and may possibly be considered in such light at some future date by the Department.

With regard to those offices in which Smith Act prosecutions may be instituted in the future adequate arrangements must be made within these offices to be alert to the above instructions and to insure that they are complied with in the event such prosecutions are ultimately undertaken.

Upon the receipt of information obtained as a result of the foregoing, the office of origin should promptly incorporate such information in a supplemental prosecutive summary report in accordance with existing Bureau instructions.

The following are those organizations upon which the Department has requested prosecutive summary reports:

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Office of Origin</u>
American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born	New York
American Peach Crusade	New York

OrganizationOffice of Origin

American Russian Institute, Inc.
San Francisco, California

San Francisco

American Russian Institute of
Southern California

Los Angeles

American Slav Congress

New York

American Women for Peace

New York

Armenian Progressive League of
America

New York

Association of Lithuanian Workers,
Inc.

New York

California Labor School

San Francisco

Civil Rights Congress

New York

Committee for a Democratic Far
Eastern Policy

New York

Council on African Affairs

New York

Croatian Fraternal Union

Pittsburgh

Jefferson School of Social Science

New York

Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee

New York

Labor Youth League

New York

National Association of Mexican
Americans

Los Angeles

National Council of American-Soviet
Friendship

New York

National Labor Conference for Peace

New York

National Lawyers Guild

New York

National Negro Labor Council

Detroit

United May Day Committee

New York

Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln
Brigade

New York

The following are those six additional organizations upon which the Bureau has requested prosecutive summary reports.

<u>Organization</u>	<u>Office of Origin</u>
California Emergency Defense Committee	Los Angeles
Citizens Emergency Defense Committee	New York <i>W. H. Winter</i>
National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case	New York <i>W. H. Winter</i>
National Council of the Arts, Sciences, and Professions	New York <i>W. H. Winter</i>
Nature Friends of America	New York <i>W. H. Winter</i>
Washington Pension Union	Seattle

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC

DATE: 12-30-52

FROM : JOSEPH V. WATERS, SA

SUBJECT: National Committee to Secure Justice
in the Rosenberg Case
SM-C

On 12-22-52, Miss E. ZIMMERER, elevator operator at U.S. Court House, Foley Square, N.Y.C., furnished the writer with an envelope addressed to her at her residence, 774 Dawson Street, Bronx, N.Y. This envelope conveyed literature circulated by subject committee, publicizing its activities.


Miss ZIMMERER said she knows of no reason why she should be sent such material and pointed out that no other members of her family received such material.

The letter and its contents are being retained as an exhibit.

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 J. V. Waters

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TO :

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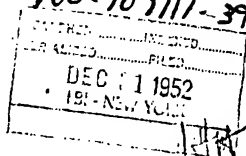
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save the lives of the **ROSENBERGS**



**WRITE-WIRE PRES. TRUMAN
FOR CLEMENCY**

**JOIN NATIONAL CLEMENCY
AND PRAYER GATHERING**

WASHINGTON, D.C.

SUNDAY and MONDAY, JANUARY 4-5, 1953

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ROSENBERG CASE

The Rosenbergs' execution is set for the week of January 12th!
Write President Truman: COMMUTE THE DEATH SENTENCES!

On April 5, 1951, Julius Rosenberg and his wife Ethel were sentenced to die in the electric chair, and Morton Sobell was sentenced to 30 years imprisonment, having been convicted on a charge of conspiracy to spy on behalf of the Soviet Union.

The Rosenbergs and Sobell have unswervingly maintained their innocence from the day of their arrest.

On February 25, 1952, the U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals upheld the verdict and the sentences in a shocking decision that held, among other things, that persons could be considered disposed to commit espionage by virtue of their political or social views.

Thousands of people, among them many eminent public figures, do not believe the Rosenbergs and Sobell guilty or that their trial was a fair one. Thousands more, who have grave doubts of their guilt, are horrified at the death sentence.

THE ROSENBERGS

Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, until their arrest, led the life of every-day people, struggling for a livelihood and education, and hoping that their two young sons, aged nine and four, would be spared the hardships familiar to the parents.

Since their marriage they lived solely on Julius' \$70-a-week income as a government engineer, except for the past few years when they managed a meager living from the profits of a small machine shop business. Julius was an active member of his trade union. Ethel did volunteer work in community and civilian defense organizations.

THE PROSECUTION'S CASE

Before the trial the prosecutor announced that he would call 118 witnesses, among them top scientists Dr. J. Robert Oppenheimer, Dr. Harold C. Urey; Gen. Leslie R. Groves, head of the atom bomb project during the war; agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation; alleged associates of the Rosenbergs and Sobell in the "conspiracy"; and two "star" witnesses.

Of these 118, the prosecutor called only 20, among them none of the above named scientists or FBI agents. One witness, Max Elitcher, admitted that he faced a five year prison sentence for perjury, that he had been threatened by FBI agents with prosecution for espionage, and that he "hoped for the best" as a result of his uncorroborated testimony. He is free today, never having been tried. The two chief witnesses, David and Ruth Greenglass, were both, according to the prosecutor, and their own statements, involved in the alleged conspiracy, but as a result of their testimony, Ruth was never brought to trial, and her husband got off with a 15-year sentence.

The government's entire case is based on the Greenglasses' uncorroborated testimony, a fact conceded by the Court of Appeals, which in upholding the convictions declared that without the testimony of the Greenglasses, "the conviction could not stand." The prosecutor produced 32 exhibits as "documentary evidence." Not one of these documents, by the prosecutor's own admission, connected the Rosenbergs with a conspiracy to commit espionage.

THE STAR WITNESSES

David Greenglass, brother of Ethel Rosenberg, and his wife Ruth, were the star witnesses against the Rosenbergs. Both admitted that they had committed espionage for which they received money and for which both could be given the death penalty.

The Greenglasses' uncorroborated testimony was the only evidence presented that the Rosenbergs had conspired to steal the atom-bomb secret. Their testimony in respect to the Rosenbergs was solely oral, and no documents or other proofs linking the Rosenbergs to espionage were introduced. No witnesses were called to substantiate any conversations on espionage that allegedly took place between the Greenglasses and the Rosenbergs. David Greenglass testified that, relying solely on his memory of snatches of overheard conversation at the atom-bomb project at Los Alamos, and his remembrance of details of blueprints which had been shown to him as part of his work as a machinist, he had drawn up an elaborate sketch of the atom bomb, together with twelve pages of written material, which he allegedly conveyed as a description of the bomb to Rosenberg.

The following are Greenglass' actual qualifications for this impressive feat:

- 1) experience as an ordinary machinist in both army and civilian life;
- 2) a high school education, plus 3 technical courses at Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute, in all 8 of which he admitted he was graded "failure";
- 3) an admission that he was ignorant of the formulae governing component parts of the atom bomb, and that he had never taken courses or read books on such essential subjects as elementary, differential or advanced calculus, thermodynamics, quantum mechanics, nuclear or atomic physics.

Not a single atomic scientist was called to support David Greenglass' testimony concerning the atom bomb or to confirm the authenticity of the "sketch" of the atom bomb he made for the trial.

Responsible periodicals and science editors commented as follows on Greenglass' testimony:

TIME MAGAZINE: "Some of his testimony made little scientific sense."

LIFE MAGAZINE'S Science Editor: "Greenglass' implosion bomb appears illogical, if not downright unworkable."

SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN: "History's most elaborately guarded secret—how to make an atomic bomb—was casually let out of the bag in a courtroom last month. Or was it?"

POLITICS INSTEAD OF EVIDENCE

The prosecutor set out to show that the Rosenbergs were Communists and that Communists are spies. This had nothing to do with either the indictment or proof that the Rosenbergs had conspired to commit espionage. But he did not establish that the Rosenbergs were Communists. Instead, he showed:

- 1) the Rosenbergs had a Spanish Refugee appeal can in their home;
- 2) Ethel Rosenberg was one of 50,000 New York citizens who had signed a nominating petition in 1941 for Peter V. Cacchione, successful Communist Party candidate for New York City Councilman;
- 3) the Rosenbergs carried sick and death benefit insurance with the International Workers Order, a multi-national, inter-racial fraternal insurance society with 160,000 members in 18 states;
- 4) the Rosenbergs were both active members of their trade unions; Ethel in Local 65 of the Wholesale, Retail and Warehouse Workers Union; Julius in the Federation of Architects, Engineers and Technicians;
- 5) the Rosenbergs occasionally read the *Daily Worker*;
- 6) the Rosenbergs believed that the Soviet Union had borne the brunt of the war against Nazi Germany, and that it had done its share in wiping out the murderers of 6 million Jews;
- 7) the Rosenbergs had been pleased and lauded the United States and Great Britain for opening up a second front;
- 8) Julius Rosenberg had once been accused of being a Communist, for which he had been fired from the Signal Corps, although he had sworn that he was not a Communist.

JEWISH ASPECTS

The Rosenberg and Sobell trial, in a city whose population is one-third Jewish, proceeded without a single Jewish juror.

Here are comments from the Jewish press:

THE DAY: "The death sentence imposed by Judge Kaufman left the feeling that precisely because he is a Jew did he go to an extreme and deal judgment with a heavy hand... that Judge Kaufman is a Jew has perhaps unconsciously motivated him to issue a sentence which, in the opinion of many, is considered to be unjust and brutal."

DAILY FORWARD: "Too horrible... every Jew feels the same way."

CHICAGO SENTINEL, an Anglo-Jewish paper; in a column on Feb. 7, 1952 by Rabbi G. George Fox, one of the most widely known Rabbis in the Mid-West, an eminent scholar and author: "I am certain that Judge Kaufman's decision will be found unjust, if not illegal."

THE DEATH SENTENCE

In imposing the death sentence against Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, Judge Irving Kaufman said that they had "altered the course of history to the disadvantage of our country... we have evidence of your treachery around us every day... I believe your conduct has already caused, in my opinion, the Communist aggression in Korea, with resultant casualties exceeding 50,000 and who knows but that millions more of innocent people may pay the price of your treason."

From the Judge's comments, it appears that he sentenced the Rosenbergs to death for crimes with which they were not at all charged. They were neither accused of treason nor was any evidence brought in linking them in any way to the instigation of any wars, past, present, or future.

It is unthinkable that the same verdict and the same sentence would have been given had these accusations formed the basis of a "case" during the war years (when the USSR was our ally), when the alleged conspiracy was supposed to have taken place, or even in the first years following the end of the war.

Further, we can compare the sentences given to confessed or convicted traitors and saboteurs such as Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose, who got ten years each, and the famous Molzahn case in which four men who gave vital secrets to Germany in the Fall of 1941 were let off with 5 to 15 year sentences.

Finally, this is the first time in the history of our country that a civil court has imposed the death sentence for a charge of espionage. No person committing treason, the gravest of all crimes, has ever been executed.

CONCLUSIONS

- 1) The Rosenbergs and Sobell were convicted on unsubstantial and incredible evidence.
- 2) The prosecution prejudiced and inflamed the jury by bringing in extraneous issues in every phase of the trial.
- 3) The suspicion of anti-Semitism taints the entire trial.

FOR JUSTICE

WRITE to President Truman and ask that the government consent to a reversal of the Rosenberg-Sobell conviction, thus permitting a new trial or discontinuance of their prosecution.

SPONSORS (partial list):

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Rev. J. C. Collins
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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York 18, N. Y. BRyant 9-9691

I want to receive your material. I enclose \$..... to help. Please send me
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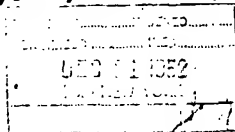
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December 24, 1953

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

In this holiday season, when the spirit is "peace on earth, good will toward men," we are deeply moved by the plight of two young parents, Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

They are sentenced to die January 13 on a charge of conspiracy to commit espionage. Both have maintained their innocence. Men and women of many nations and faiths have urged clemency.

We Federal workers, following their example and that of Ford Local 800, CIO-UAW, representing 87,000 workers, seek clemency from President Truman for this mother and father.

What better way to express the spirit of the holidays we celebrate than to join together for human decency.

Whatever we feel about the merits of the charge let us join hands against this harsh death sentence, unprecedented in a case of this kind in our country's history.

For these reasons we are gathering on Tuesday, Dec. 30, at 6 p.m., at Local headquarters, 139 Fifth Ave., to plan action.

The time is short for the Rosenbergs.

Your time can mean life for them.

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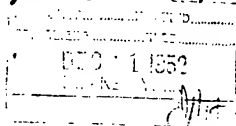
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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Sixth Avenue New York, N.Y.
BRyant 9-9694

Dear Friend;

The following are the final plans for the Clemency Gathering and Vigil in Washington D.C.

1) The National Clemency Gathering for Jan. 4th has been cancelled. Not a single hall large enough to hold a proper meeting could be gotten. Rather than bring 5 or 4 thousand people to Washington to stand out in the cold for 2 hours, we are proposing other steps.

2) The Gathering for Jan. 5th will go on as scheduled. The days activities will be taken up mostly with visits to White House, Congressmen, Senators, other government officials. Every effort must be made to head these delegations up with clergymen and other local figures. Send us estimate of number and composition of delegations.

3) On Jan. 4th we will hold a National Conference in Washington D.C., composed of leaders of Rosenberg Committees throughout the country and whatever other representatives of local groups (churches, professional, labor, etc.) you can bring. Let us know at once who and how many will attend. (This is not a conference intended for large numbers of people.) A plan for final week of activity will be discussed. Local committee meetings should be organized for the day or evening of your return.)

4) The 24 hour Clemency Vigil at the White House begins on Dec. 27th and will continue through the week of Jan. 12th. Persons for the Vigil are urgently needed. The Washington office must have immediate figures, dates, and where possible, names. Send this information to Washington Rosenberg Committee, 1967 Zeebarr Rd., Wash. D. C. Try to space these people going to the Vigil, so that the time will have, for the longest possible period, persons representing various sections of the country. In an earlier letter we suggested that before leaving a mid on returning, the participants visit their local newspaper and radio and TV stations. When they arrive in Washington they should see their local press representatives at the National Press Building.

5) We have a superb and brilliant recording (long playing - 28 minutes) written and acted by San Francisco cultural workers. It is the finest piece we have written on the case and has received accolades by all audiences. It is suitable for small house gathering as well as larger meetings. The records sell for \$4.00. Please place order now.

6) Our finances have declined considerably since our right letter. On the virtual eve of the threatened execution, we are financially unable to operate. Please help us.

Sincerely,

David Alan
David Alan
Executive Secretary

P.S. MOST IMPORTANT!

The thousands who would have been in Washington on January 4th should be mobilized for the week-end of January 30 to get scores of thousands of letters and wires to the White House by Monday. Suggest house-to-house, block-by-block canvass.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: December 21, 1952

FROM :

SUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
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CEY 149, of known reliability, made available to the New York Office information concerning the above-captioned subject, obtained from the building located at 23 West 26 Street, New York City. This building is occupied by the Civil Rights Congress, American Committee for Protection of Foreign Born, Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee and Veterans of the Abraham Lincoln Brigade, all of which have been declared by the Attorney General of the United States to fall within the purview of Executive Order 9835. In addition, other Communist Party front groups and individual Communist Party members or sympathizers occupy offices at this address.

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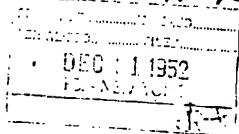
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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman

DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

1050 SIXTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 18, N. Y.
BRyant 9-9694

December 20, 1952

SPONSORS (Partial List)

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Elizabeth Todd
Dr. Leonard Tushnet
Dr. Gene Wolfish

Dear Friend:

My husband, Morton Sobell was convicted and sentenced with Ethel and Julius Rosenberg. He has been sent 3000 miles away from me and from his children to begin serving his 30-year sentence at Alcatraz, which is reserved for the most dangerous and hardened prisoners. But we still can live, we still can fight for vindication and freedom.

Ether and Julie face death within days. Can the dead be vindicated? Can parents found innocent after death embrace a Michael and a Robbie, small victims together with their father and mother?

We have been fighting together, long and hard. We have it in our power to secure Executive Clemency from President Truman. It must be done with each nerve and fiber, every ounce of energy. You must give a little of your life if Ethel and Julie are to live.

Could we have done what has been done in showing a tremendous number of people that they must speak out if we had not worked together with our hands and with our money? Our country and the world now begin to know that the lives of the Rosenbergs must be saved.

You have helped before. You must help again. To whom else can we turn?

Ethel and Julie must have a gift from you, the gift of life. The enclosed card can be used to make this gift.

Send the Season's Greetings to Ethel and Julie at Sing Sing and to my husband at Alcatraz, so that they will know that they are not alone.

We, the children, the Committee and I wish you a peaceful and happy New Year.

Sincerely,

Helen Sobell
(Mrs. Morton Sobell)

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

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FROM :

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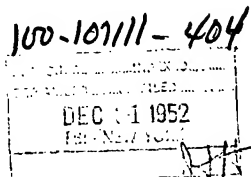
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LABOR COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS
1050 Sixth Avenue N.Y.C. BRYANT 9 9683

PRESS RELEASE

for immediate release
December 19, 1952

The Labor Committee to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs announced today that it had been informed that six hundred shop chairmen, representing the entire membership of the locals affiliated to The Furriers Joint Council of New York unanimously adopted a resolution urging President Truman to extend executive clemency to Julius and Ethel Rosenberg.

This action followed the action taken a few days before by the Executive of the Joint Council which passed the following resolution:

The death sentence given to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg on the charge of transmitting military secrets to another country is the first sentence on such a charge in the peace-time history of the United States. Sentences to the others in similar cases have been much less severe.

The Rosenbergs are the parents of two small children and in the past have had a blameless and unquestionable record.

Religious and labor leaders, professional men and women and public figures of all shades of opinion, both in this country and abroad, as well as many sections of the press have asked the President to commute the Rosenberg death sentence.

Therefore, the Furriers Joint Council of New York consisting of 15,000 members in affiliated locals respectively urges the President to use his executive powers to grant clemency through commuting the death sentence in this case.

The Labor Committee also announced that it had received a copy of a letter asking for clemency from Clinton E. Jencks, International Representative of The International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, which said in part:

I have studied carefully several documents on the case of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, sentenced to death for having allegedly conspired to commit espionage.

My study of the records has convinced me and many of my friends, that these persons are being victimized for their political and social views.

It appears certain that there is very grave doubt as to their guilt.

It is a fact that never before in our history has a Civil Court imposed a death sentence for espionage, either in peace or wartime.

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123 E. Carpenter St.
Valley Stream, N. Y.
Dec. 31, 1952

Federal Bureau of Investigation
290 Broadway
New York, N. Y.
Dear Sirs:

This is the letter
which I received in the
mail on December 29 and
about which we had our
telephone conversation today.

Yours truly,
(Miss) Stella L. Adams

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS DASH C. BUTLE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT THREE FIVE. REWFO TEL TO BUREAU DEC. TWENTY SEVEN LAST. [REDACTED] NATIONAL PARK POLICE ADVISED THAT ABOUT FOUR PM DEC. TWENTY SEVEN LAST GROUP OF SEVENTEEN

PEOPLE BEGAN PICKETING ON EAST EXECUTIVE AVE. THEY EXPECTED TO MARCH ON TWENTY FOUR HOUR BASIS. THE PARK POLICE ARE MAINTAINING A DETAIL OF AT LEAST TWO MEN ON TWENTY FOUR HOUR BASIS IN VICINITY OF EAST EXECUTIVE AVE. TO OBSERVE PICKETERS. TO DATE PICKETERS HAVE VARIED FROM MAXIMUM OF SEVENTEEN TO MINIMUM OF TWO. [REDACTED] WILL MAINTAIN RECORD OF NUMBER OF PICKETERS AND IN CASE OF ANY NOTICEABLE INCREASE IN NUMBER OR ACTIVITY IN THE VICINITY OF THE PICKETS WILL NOTIFY WFO. HE HAS INSTRUCTED HIS MEN TO RECORD ANY INFORMATION WHICH COMES TO THEIR ATTENTION THAT WOULD AID IN IDENTIFYING THE PICKETS. [REDACTED] SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS SQUAD,

MPD, ADVISED HE HAS TO DATE SEEN THE FOLLOWING PERSONS IN THE PICKET LINE: JOSEPH FORER, ETHEL WEICHEROD, JOHN EDDER, AND JOSEPH AND ELEANOR BELSER. WFO WILL KEEP IN CONTACT WITH [REDACTED] AND [REDACTED]

FURNISHED WORDINGS ON SOME OF THE POSTERS CARRIED BY THE PICKETS. THESE READ AS FOLLOWS: QUOTE PRES. TRUMAN; COMMUTE THE DEATH SENTENCES OF ETHEL & JULIUS ROSENBERG UNQUOTE. QUOTE PRES. TRUMAN; FBI AGENT JOHN A. HARRINGTON

HF/mad
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ADmits IN AFFIDAVIT THAT PROSECUTION WITNESS COMMITTED PERJURY AT
ROSENBERG TRIAL UNQUOTE. QUOTE PRES. TRUMAN; RABBI FOX — WEINSTEIN;
CALL FOR THE COMMUTATION OF THE DEATH SENTENCE OF ETHEL & JULIUS
ROSENBERG. UNQUOTE.

MOOD

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

December 31, 1952

Miss Mary Ade Dagwell
41-29 41st Street, Apt. 4-E
Sunnyside, Long Island
New York

Dear Miss Dagwell:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 24, 1952,
with enclosure.

Your interest in making this information available to this
office is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

*Clemency appeal
enclosed & destroyed
Per J.A. Harrington
JAH*

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FROM _____

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 2, 1953

Captain F. H. Kirk
39 Kings Point Road
Great Neck, Long Island
New York

Dear Captain Kirk:

I wish to thank you for the information which you forwarded to this office.

Your interest in this matter is greatly appreciated and you may be assured that it will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge



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DIRECTOR

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN ROSENBERG CASE, IS WASH

C. DAYLET. BUFILE ONE HUNDRED DASH THREE EIGHT SEVEN EIGHT THREE

FIVE. [REDACTED] WASHINGTON TERMINAL POLICE ADVISED RECEIVED
INFORMATION CAPTIONED COMMITTEE SECURED SPECIAL TRAIN ON B AND O
TO LEAVE JERSEY CITY, NY, AT SEVEN AM JANUARY FIVE, NEXT, TWELVE
COACHES TO ACCOMMODATE SEVEN HUNDRED PASSENGERS. THIS TRAIN IS TO
LEAVE WASHINGTON ON RETURN TRIP AT SEVEN PM SAME DAY.

HOOD

HF:L-B

cc - New York (100-107111) (RM)

MR. BOARDMAN
MR. WHELAN
MR. HANCOCK
MR. BELMONT
MR. FERGUSON
MR. GARDNER
MR. LADD
MR. NICHOLS
MR. ROSEN
MR. TRACY
MR. WATSON
MR. WHELAN
MR. WOOD
MR. YERGEN
MR. ZIEGLER
MR. McANDREWS
MR. SUPERVISOR
MR. KAGAN
MR. SPENCER
MR. KALISH
MR. WARD
MR. WOOD
MR. YERGEN
MR. ZIEGLER
PROPERTY UNIT
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J. A. Harrington



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United States Department of Justice

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COMPLAINT FORM

Committee TO Secure

Justice In The Rosenberg Case

Subject's Name and Aliases

Mrs Edna Long

639

Name of Complainant

Address of Complainant

1650 6th Avenue N.Y. 18 N.Y.

Address of Subject

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Character of Case

Telephone Number of Complainant

1-2-1952 1630 AM

Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT:

Complainant personally advised that she received att letter dated 11-26-52 in the mail. She regards att committee as possibly of a Communistic nature + does not know where they got their name. She is unsympathetic toward the subject Committee.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

att is not already part of our name on att file name appearing thereon should be indexed + att should be filed 100-0

Special Agent

Jane W. Ryan

100-107111-409



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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

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COMPLAINT FORM

*Not Committee to Secure Justice in
Rosenberg Case - 15-C-*

Subject's Name and Aliases

Address of Subject

Character of Case

Capt Eugene Roussin
Name of Complainant
Gen of Albany 90 Operative
Address of Complainant *NYPD*
51-5292-26-1005
Telephone Number of Complainant *1*
1/5/53 - 12:10 PM
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT:

*Beats 9 Ohio R.R. - will run
a special train - 12 cars - Committee to
Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case -
Leave Jersey City 7 AM Monday - 1/5/53 -
Arrives Wash DC 11:30 AM. Return Car
NYC by T. & T. St. Francis 6:45 AM.
Leave Wash at 7 PM 1/5/53 arrive
Jersey City 11:51 PM 1/5/53.
T. & T. Return to Jersey City.*

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

For Harrington's Info.

*John Harrington
Sect. 2*

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John P. Harrington
Special Agent

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urgent teletype

Julius Rosenberg - Espionage - R
Daylet

Urgent Teletype
dictated to Bureau
1/3/52 at 1 PM
to Betty Higgins

NY 65-15348

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice



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COMPLAINT FORM

COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE

ROSENBERG CASE
Subject's Name and Aliases

SGT. WAGNER

Name of Complainant
YONKERS N.Y. POLICE DEPT.

Address of Complainant

Address of Subject

espionage
Character of Case

Telephone Number of Complainant

7-2-53 9 PM
Date and Time Complaint Received

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

FACTS OF COMPLAINT:

Sgt. Wagner telephonically contacted the writer and advised that a flood of handbills entitled "NOW IS THE 168th HOUR" concerning the ROSENBERG's had been distributed this date in Yonkers. He desired that SA HERBERT GRANT, resident agent at Yonkers pick up a copy for our files. Sgt. Wagner advised that he would hold a copy for GRANT.

ACTION RECOMMENDED BY AGENT:

Have SA GRANT pick up copy for file.

SA K...
Advised 1-12-53
2 of

100-107111-412
George F. Lueckenhoff

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5:30 P.M.

DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK.

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE FOR JULIUS AND ETHEL ROSENBERG - I.S. - C. - DALET. AS OF THREE P.M. TODAY PICKETS AT THE WHITE HOUSE INCREASED TO FIFTY. [REDACTED] METROPOLITAN POLICE DEPARTMENT ADVISED OUR ATTORNEYS HAVE CANCELLED RESERVATIONS FOR MEETING FOR PROGRESSIVE PARTY ON BEHALF OF CAPITAL AND COMMITTEE FOR TODAY AND TOMORROW EVENING.

b7d

HOOD

WJS/lmb

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C.C. NEW YORK, N.Y.

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J. A. H. [Signature]

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7:55 PM

DIRECTOR AND SAC NEW YORK (RM)

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE,
IS-C. SPECIAL I&O TRAIN RESERVED BY QUOTE LABOR CO UNQUOTE
UNQUOTE, ARRIVED AT UNION STATION ELEVEN TWENTY AM WITH EIGHT
HUNDRED FORTY PASSENGERS. LARGE PERCENTAGE OF THESE PASSENGERS
CARRIED PLACARDS READING CLEMENCE FOR THE ROSENBERGS. THIS
GROUP WAS TO JOIN PICKETS AT THE WHITE HOUSE AND ALSO VISIT
SENATORS AND REPRESENTATIVES. PICKETS ESTIMATED TO NUMBER
SIX HUNDRED FIFTY AT ONE PM TODAY. PICKETING WAS ORDERLY.
SPECIAL TRAIN RETURNING PICKETS TO JERSEY CITY DEPARTED UNION
STATION SEVEN FIFTY P.M. TODAY.

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 5, 1953

Mr. Harry H. Barroll
2 East Mill Drive
Apartment 1-E
Great Neck, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Barroll:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 30,
1952, with enclosures.

Your efforts in this matter are greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

P
met

100-107111-415

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : SAC NEW YORK

DATE: 1/5/53

FROM : SA JACK H. LUPTON

SUBJECT: JULIUS ROSENBERG
ETHEL ROSENBERG
ESPIONAGE-R

MRS. BERNHARDT S. KRAMER, 59 Fairmont St., Kingston, N.Y. today furnished the attached correspondence which she received in the mail. She stated that the attached have been mailed to many Jewish people in the Kingston, N.Y. area.

The letter is signed, "NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE. 1050-6th Ave. N.Y. 18, N.Y.

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FROM _____

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 5, 1953

Mr. Andrew V. Seley
307 West 22 Street
New York, New York

Dear Mr. Seley:

This will acknowledge receipt of your letter, dated December 28, 1952.

The contents of your letter have been carefully noted and I wish you to know that I appreciate the thoughtfulness which prompted you to forward it to me.

Very truly yours,

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

Mr. Clark Pascoe
962 Southern Boulevard
Bronx, New York

Dear Mr. Pascoe:

I have carefully noted the information which you forwarded to this office and wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for making it available.

Very truly yours,

100-107111
JAH:IM

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

McA

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

Mr. John Theodore Hanenan
212 Cedar Avenue
Hewlett, Long Island
New York

Dear Mr. Hanenan:

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your enclosures of recent date.

Your interest in making this information available to this office is indeed appreciated. You may be assured it will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

LELAND V. BOARDMAN

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JAH:IM

met

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

~~Mr. Irving Perlman~~
94-12 35th Avenue
Queens, Long Island
New York

Dear Mr. Perlman:

I wish to thank you for forwarding certain enclosures to this office.

Your interest in this matter is indeed appreciated.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

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290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

~~(S)~~
Second Spanish Evangelical Church
395 Broome Street
New York 13, N.Y.

Gentlemen:

I wish to thank you for your enclosure of January 3, 1953.

I have carefully noted the contents and wish to take this opportunity to express my appreciation to you for making this information available.

Very truly yours,

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

JAH:IM
100-107111

me

100-107111-420

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

Mr. Joseph V. Ruger
451 77th Street
Brooklyn 9, N.Y.

Dear Mr. Ruger:

I wish to thank you for your letter of December 16, 1952,
with enclosures.

Your interest in making this information available to this
office is indeed appreciated and you may be assured that it will
receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

JAH:IM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge



100-107111-421

290 Broadway
New York 7, New York

January 6, 1953

Miss Stella L. Adams
123 East Carpenter St.
Valley Stream, N.Y.

Dear Miss Adams:

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter of December 31, 1952, with enclosures.

Your interest in making this information available to this office is indeed appreciated. You may be assured that it will receive appropriate attention.

Very truly yours,

JAH:DM
100-107111

LELAND V. BOARDMAN
Special Agent in Charge

met

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS-C.

NY EVENING NEWS 1/5/LAST CONTAINED ARTICLE CAPTIONED "ROSENBERG SPECIAL
GETS BOMB THREATS" AND REPORTED THAT AT 6:50 PM 1/4/LAST AN ANONYMOUS.

CALL INFORMED THE ELIZABETH NJ FIRE DEPT. THAT A BOMB WOULD GO OFF IN ELIZABETHPORT STATION OF THE JERSEY CENTRAL LINES. THE MORNING OF 1/5/LAST RAILROAD POLICE RECEIVED SIMILAR CALL. HOWEVER THE "ROSENBERG SPECIAL", A WASHINGTON BOUND TRAIN CARRYING PARTISANS OF THE DOOMED PAIR TO A PROTEST SESSION IN THE CAPITOL 1/5/53, PASSED THROUGH ELIZABETH NJ AT 7:15 AM WITHOUT INCIDENT. POLICE SEARCHED THE ELIZABETHPORT STATION BOTH TIMES. ABOVE SUBMITTED FOR YOUR INFO.

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

PRESS RELEASE

JOHN J. MURPHY
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Executive Secretary

for release Dec. 14, 1950
1050 SIXTH AVENUE
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PHILADELPHIA VOTERS LEAGUE ASKS CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS

Philadelphia, Pa. — Pointing to the "tragic miscarriage of justice" in the Sacco-Vanzetti case, the Independent Voters' League of Germantown and Chestnut, which represents "citizens of all political parties united to secure good government", has appealed to President Truman to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs, it was learned today by the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case.

The Voters' League, which is headed by Dorothy M. Wolff, includes Rabbi Elias Charry, Rev. J. Quinton Jackson and the Rev. Kenneth A. Forbes as its Executive Board.

In its Clemency plea to President Truman, the Voters' League said, "Our organization is dedicated to preserving the protections guaranteed to our citizens by the American system of jurisprudence". The group called the Rosenbergs' death sentence "a totally unprecedented situation and one which is considered cruel and excessive by increasing numbers of people all over the world."

"But us not be misled in a period of tension to cancel our hard-fought-for and cherished tradition of fair dealings with all" the plea added.

"Some of our members and their relatives", the Voters' League continued, "remember and participated in the effort to see justice done in the case of Sacco and Vanzetti who never swerved from their professions of innocence."

The National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs, has urged all Americans who agree that the Rosenbergs' death sentences are too harsh to communicate their pleas for clemency to President Truman at the White House in Washington and to call any of their elected representatives to take similar actions.

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APPEAL TO PUBLIC FOR \$50,000 FOR ROSENBERG CLEMENCY EFFORT.

An emergency appeal to the American people for \$50,000 to continue the legal and investigative work as well as the public campaign to win clemency for the Rosenbergs was announced yesterday by the National Committee to Secure Justice for the Rosenbergs.

The committee reported that the response to its fourteen-month campaign has been "unprecedented in American history for its size, its geographic and political scope." But, the committee said, "in the last few weeks, tremendous sums have been expended in research, legal work and in reaching millions of Americans who have been given only one version of this case."

It called on all "who have rendered financial support, as well as those tens of thousands who have been moved to act for clemency in the last few weeks, to wire and mail as substantial a contribution as possible" to its national headquarters at 1050 Avenue of the Americas, New York.

In addition to investigative and research work, the committee listed the following as "must" projects in the next three weeks.

1 - Legal and last minute investigative efforts. (Recently, proof of perjury by a government witness was attested to by an FBI affidavit.)

2 - The printing of two and a half million pieces of literature urging letters to Pres. Truman for Executive Clemency.

3 - A day and night Clemency Vigil in Washington beginning on December 27th.

4 - A National Clemency Gathering and Prayer in Washington on Jan. 4th and 5th which will bring thousands of Americans from all over the country to the nation's capital.

5 - Radio, TV and newspaper advertising, wherever it can be purchased, both in the country's metropolitan centers as well as in grass roots areas.

6 - Donating aid to the families of the Rosenbergs and Maria Sobell.

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"We are recommending to the thousands who would have participated in the Jan. 4th Prayer meeting that they utilize the weekend of Jan. 8 and 9th to secure many new scores of thousands of communications to the President. Finally, the date for the beginning of the 24 hour prayer vigil at the White House has been set for Dec. 27th. The Prayer Vigil will continue 24 hours a day through the week of Jan. 12th.

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(These are taken at random from the numerous correspondence the attorney has received from prominent persons in this country and abroad)

Sydney Silverman, Member of Parliament, England:

"... I have no hesitation at all in saying that I contemplate with horror the possibility that the death sentence could be carried out in such a case by any civilized country; least of all the United States upon whom history has placed in our time so heavy a responsibility for the wise leadership of so many nations in the onward march of civilisation..... the extreme penalty from those two unfortunates in these circumstances is to make the Rosenbergs personally responsible for all the errors of the statesman of the world which since the end of the war have so tragically lost the peace for which we all hoped. That may, as many think, be the sole responsibility of the U.S.A.; it surely is not that of the Rosenbergs."

The Very Rev. C.M. Chandler, Dean of Waimate, New Zealand :

" Assuming that Julius and Ethel Rosenberg are guilty, it must be borne in mind that it was during World War II, when Russia was an ally, that these persons committed these offenses. As heinous as the offense may be, it does not merit a death sentence, and I cannot believe that in this instance the President of your Republic will allow this sentence to stand. It would be cruel, inhuman and barbaric in the extreme and would raise a storm of protest throughout the world if, one of the chief partners in the world's Democratic States, countenanced the infliction of a death penalty, where even a modicum of doubt existed as to the guilt of the persons concerned."

Prof. Anatol Rapoport, University of Chicago:

"Mr. President, I strongly urge you to exercise executive clemency in the Rosenberg Case. No one except the vengeful-minded and the petty-minded will blame you for this. To the vast majority, to those who have faith in the greatness of our heritage, your act will be an indication of your stature as a man and a leader."

Dr. Roland H. Brinton Yale Divinity School, Conn:

" I was shocked when I read that the death sentence had been imposed upon Julius and Ethel Rosenberg, and I am glad to have the opportunity of saying a word which might have some influence in altering the sentence. I feel that the sentence is too severe because it is not commensurate with that asked out to others guilty of the same offense. We should by no means allow ourselves to determine life and death in terms of emotions engendered by a conception of 'collateral damage.'"

Dr. Paul L. Whitely, Franklin and Marshall College:

"...I should say from what I know of this case, that the death penalty for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg would be a gross miscarriage of justice."

Dudley Collard, attorney, England :

"Even if the guilt of ...Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were satisfactorily established and I am far from being convinced that this is the case, I should be profoundly shocked at the passing upon them in time of peace a sentence of death, which in my opinion is unworthy of any country with a claim to call itself civilized. My opinion is shared by all my professional colleagues at the Bar of England to whom I have spoken of the matter, irrespective of their political opinions."

Cable from Staff Members London University :

Support efforts retrial Rosenbergs. Brown glass evidence ignorable.
(Signed) Heymann, Myrlandsmith, Thompson, Stubbons, Benton, Mohr, Hasted, Ross, Smith, Burgh, Mass, Baldane

Alice Desportes, Dr. h.c. de l'Universite de Neuchatel:

"I associate myself with all my heart and with all my energy with those who demand that the sentence of death be annulled."

Rev. William C. Cravner, Alabama :

"The copy of the letter you sent me from the Rev. John Paul Jones perfectly expresses my feelings in relation to the Rosenberg Case."

Alfonso Carr

Alfonso Carr, world famous anthropologist, Mexico City

"...As a Mexican, I can tell you that the death penalty has been abolished in our country because it is unjust and irreparable, and not in accord with the juridical thinking of the modern world.

Consequently, in accordance with our laws, we hope some day to see all mankind's thinking converted and the death penalty abolished in all lands."

Attorney James P. Russell, Iowa

"...it seems to me the penalty is too severe. Whatever was done was done with a friendly country that was an ally.

Dr. Charles Morris, University of Chicago

"I hope that the court or the President will commute the sentence."

Associate Prof. William G. Houk, St. Lawrence University

Rev. Elmer J. Hostetler, Chardon, Ohio

spoke against the death sentence.

Rev. Frank A. Hamilton, Evansville, Indiana

"...I do not hesitate to say as a layman that the death sentence of these people seems horribly severe, their alleged crime and timing considered."

Anton Refregier, artist

"We must see that Mr. and Mrs. Rosenberg remain alive. Then, we must thoroughly and honestly investigate their right to their complete freedom."

Francois Joseph Caviglioli, Laureate in architecture of the French Government in North Africa

Joined with 80 friends in asking for clemency.

Mouvement Contre Le Racisme, L'Antisemitisme et Pour La Paix
Marc Chagall, Honorary President, Charles Poinet, Sec'y., France

From a communication to the Supreme Court:

For the honor of the United States, change the Rosenberg sentence.

To the President:

In expressing disagreement with the death penalty, the statement adds:
"That we express ourselves for the largest majority of our people."

G.H. Burchett, Editor, England :

"I wish on behalf of myself and our organization to express the horror felt at the barbaric sentence imposed upon the Rosenbergs. I have followed this trial carefully and it appears to be a perpetration of the Sacco-Vanzetti crime which I followed with equal horror. This judicial outrage did incalculable damage to the United States judiciary and the memory will never be erased. What Roman Rolland, the distinguished author wrote after the execution of those men was felt by millions of the best people in all parts of the world. "I am not an American but I love America. I accuse of High Treason against America the men who have soiled her with this judicial crime before the eyes of the world." This is how millions of people are feeling today. For myself, Abraham Lincoln was the chief of my boyhood heroes. Woodrow Wilson, for me, struck a new note in world history with his "Fourteen Points"; Franklin Delano Roosevelt's Good Neighbor Policy carried on the spirit of those great humanitarians. Can it be that the United States is willing to allow these nobled traditions to be violated?"

Cable: London :

"Having considered indictment in Rosenberg Case we feel doubt sufficient to fear grave injustice with bad effect on many friends of America. Urge clemency." (Signed) Fisher, Gordon, Hart, Humphrey, Jackson, Barry, Wilton Medical workers at National Institute for Medical Research

Cable: London :

Deeply distressed unprecedented sentence of Rosenbergs on doubtful inadequate evidence. In name of humanity please reconsider sentence." Actors: Myles Kilgallon, Walter Hudd, Peter Copley, Mark Dignam, Andre Van Gyseghem

J. Gual, Professor at Museum National d' Histoire Naturelle and his staff of research workers, Paris, France

"I consider the sentence of death imposed in a trial conducted with such a cavalier manner as a crime against the universal conscience."

As an academical, faithful to the tradition of intellectual probity of liberty of thought and respect for human dignity, I protest against a judgment rendered under such conditions and against the monstrous sentence which it sanctions. I didn't think such a thing could happen in the United States, a country where the principles of justice and liberty find defenders of the greatness of Washington and Lincoln. The execution of such a sentence will blacken the prestige of the United States. In the name of friendship between the peoples of France and the United States, I implore clemency for the Rosenbergs and a new trial."

Fernando Santi, Deputy, Italian Parliament, Sec'y. Italian General Confederation of Labor

"The death sentence against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg is creating doubts and pain in the hearts of all just men. Simple decency calls for a new trial."

Janet Jagan, Member Georgetown Town Council, British Guiana :

"I am in full agreement with the opposition against this ruthless measure....and join in the world-wide protest against such inhuman treatment."

Rev. Stanley Evans, England:

"The view of this section of British opinion is that so much evidence was allowed as to opinion and so little offered as to the fact of guilt that those two people would never have been convicted by an English Court, still less sentenced to the extreme penalty of death."

We are watching with the deepest anxiety your efforts to secure remission of this terrible sentence."

From England:

Dr. H.E. Brown : "Irrespective of the question of guilt I want to support your plea for mercy. To show mercy in this case will not damage but rather promote the interests of the American nation of which I am a sincere admirer and friend."

J. Forrester Paton : "I trust that you will be successful in your efforts to have the sentence altered."

Jewish Council to Combat Anti-Semitism and Fascism, Melbourne, Australia

Argentinian League for the Rights of Man, Prof. Francis Walton, Florida

State University ask for clemency.

Kenneth Ingram : Barrister at Law, England:

I am amazed and shocked that sentence of death has been passed on them for their alleged offense. And I am confident that if sentence is carried out a large body of intelligent opinion in Great Britain will be horrified that they have received such treatment."

Edith Marjotow (England)

....it seems to me and to many others that as a matter of simple justice this sentence cannot and must not be allowed to stand—the court might well be asked to take into account the effect which the carrying out of the sentence will have on European opinion.

I cannot believe that President Truman will make such a disastrous miscalculation of liberal feeling in the world, as to allow this unjustifiable sentence to be carried out."

John S. Boyland : Chairman, British Crusade for World Federal Govt.,
Woodbrooke College, Birmingham, England

"I strongly support your appeal for a commutation of the sentence."

Maurice Edelman, Simone Cohen, Pierre Braun, Charles Lederman

lawyers of Paris, France sent strong letters to President Truman asking for commutation of the death sentence and a new trial.

Max Desmond, D. Litt., F.R.S. : author, lecturer (England)

As an author and publicist of international connections and therefore with a certain knowledge of national and personal reactions, I frankly have little doubt that a carrying out of the electric chair sentence upon Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and a refusal to commute the sentence any more animated repercussions in London and even through the British Empire. This is no exaggeration, as even if the parties were guilty, a death sentence for espionage would shock the British public and so far as one can judge, at this distance, their guilt to put it mildly is a matter of considerable doubt. Also, as I know from my own audiences' reactions to such severity by the United States Courts in similar cases, the sending of these two unhappy people into another world by the "chair" would be used by those who are not friends of the United States as I am and always have been such a friend, as my six lecture tours from coast to coast have I think proved."

350 men and women of Didsbury, Manchester:

We, the undersigned citizens of Manchester are greatly disturbed at the sentence of death passed on Ethel and Julius Rosenberg for alleged treason, urge you to make our views known to your Government.

In our opinion this sentence, even if the guilt of these people were fully proved, which has not been the case from the reports given in the British Press, is unprecedented in the history of any civilised nation.

We, therefore, request that the Rosenbergs be reprieved and re-tried in order to prove their innocence."

Charles E. Raven : Professor Emeritus, Cambridge University, England
Chaplain to HM, the

"As one who has spent much time during the past twenty-five years in the United States and has a deep concern for Anglo-American friendship I cannot but deplore the death sentence upon the Rosenbergs both in itself and from its inevitable effect upon British and world opinion."

...this savage verdict underlines the conviction that America instead of leading the world to a more righteous and liberal way of life is becoming so hysterical in its dread of Communism as to betray the very principles upon which its Constitution was founded and which its past history has always respected.

The sentence of death whatever the merits of the case is a tragic event for all lovers of the Republic.

Lord Chorley of Kendal : (formerly Cassel Professor of Law in the Univ. of London)

"I am strongly averse to the death penalty carrying out of the death sentence in such a case as this. I shall be glad to add my name in an appeal to the President for clemency."

Writers : England :

Mervyn Jones : "I cannot see how the United States could do other than gain in the opinion of the world by ordering a fresh trial."

In peacetime there is no precedent in any Western country for the death sentence for espionage."

George Dowse (biologist and writer) :

I need scarcely add what every decent man and woman already knew that the Rosenbergs, like Sacco and Vanzetti, have been selected as victims to be thrown to the wolves howling for blood. And each one of us knows that if we allow them to be sacrificed, whether they are "guilty" or not, it might be our turn next."

Alan Bush : "Professor Royal Academy of Music, London"

"Implore you exercise your right prerogative execution two Rosenberg martyrs due to United States judicial hysteria."

Jack Bechins : writer, "London"

"America can no longer treat its policies on the exportation of liberal thought from abroad, if at home it borrows and uses the old weapon of European reaction--judicial assassination."

Dr. Rudolf Carnap : Institute for Advanced Study, "Princeton, N.J. :

"Thank you for sending me the affidavit by Professor Scram in connection with the Rosenberg Case. I have read it with great interest. It confirmed my earlier belief that the Court has greatly overstated the importance of the scientific information contained in the sketches of implosion lenses by David Greenglass, or of any accompanying details which a man with his very limited theoretical background was able to furnish. For this reason I feel that the severity of the sentence is out of proportion to the actual damage which could possibly have been done."

Mary Van Kleeck : sociologist, USA :

In New York six months ago I spent many hours reading transcripts of testimony and documents of the trial. As a sociologist concerned with public opinion on international relations, I found many evidences that both judge and prosecuting attorney permitted and even intensified the injection into the trial of political issues, which had no bearing on the guilt or innocence of the defendants. May I join with others to take such action as may be possible to prevent these deaths and thus to avert this irreparable disaster in our Nation's history."

Duke of Bedford, Woburn, Buck Eng.:

"Capital punishment for political offences is unworthy of a truly civilized government and suggests its inability to protect itself adequately from hostile or objectionable political influences, either by sound administration at home, or by a just, imaginative and enlightened policy in its dealings with foreign nations."

Philip-Warren Bell, Woodbrooke College, Birmingham, Eng.:

"It is my earnest hope that pressure of public opinion will result in the re-trial of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and that no sentence will be pronounced upon them until they are clearly proved guilty of violations of the espionage laws."

L. Hugh Doncaste : Birmingham, Eng.:

"As one who believes that capital punishment is wrong in all circumstances, I warmly support your efforts regarding the Rosenbergs."

Nicole J. Dreyfus, Lawyer, Paris:

"It is with the saddest feelings that I learned of the death sentence against Julius and Ethel Rosenberg and I raise my voice to demand a revision of the judgement."

Jewish Western Bulletin, Official organ of the Jewish Community Council of Vancouver 12/6/52: Editorial:

"We do feel, however, that the request for clemency directed to President Truman that he should commute the death sentence imposed on these people is fully justified."

Dr. Nathaniel S. Lehman, NYC:

"May I beg you to commute the sentence that has been imposed."

Naharya, Israel:

The workers of The Fertilizer and Chemical Works, Haifa addressed the following petition:

"We, the undersigned wish to protest against the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. Serious doubt of their guilt exists and their punishment is entirely out of proportion to that given confessed spies and even those who actually supported Germany and Japan during the war. Let the Rosenbergs live."

Central Confederation of Workers of France :

"We wish to assure Julius and Ethel Rosenberg that the French workers are supporting them. United we are working to save Julius and Ethel Rosenberg from death."

The French workers condemn the arbitrary court decisions and demand a new trial so that they can establish their innocence."

Artists of France : Ferdinand Leger, Jean Lurcat, Edouard Pignon, Andre Fougeron, Boris Taslitzky, sculptor, Emmanuel Auricoste.

French Section of the Womens' International League for Peace and Freedom :

The rejection of the appeal of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg has caused us much sorrow. This is felt throughout France. We know that as of today the lives of these beings depend on none other than you. We appeal to you as a father, that their is a tremendous responsibility on your part to make this clemency move."

National Federation of Dock and Port Workers, Federation of Civil Service Workers, Miners Federation of France and many others have asked for the vindication of the Rosenbergs.

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Clemency rally for Rosenbergs.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: January 7, 1951

FROM :

CONFIDENTIALSUBJECT: NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE
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An Open Letter to President Truman on the Rosenberg case

Nov. 23, 1952

Dear Mr. President:

As you prepare to step down from the high office that you have filled with such selfless dedication to our beloved land, we take the liberty of urging upon you earnest consideration of the plea for clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

It is not our province to judge the Rosenbergs innocent or guilty. As long as a judicial question was involved we refused to intervene. Only now, for the first time, do we speak out — because now the issue is life or death. And only you, Mr. President, can give the answer.

The Rosenbergs have two little boys, Mr. President. Only your act of mercy can help these unfortunate children.

We well remember that Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose, traitors to our country during wartime, got 10 year sentences. That Nazi murderers of American war prisoners, of six million Jews and of countless others, have had their sentences commuted. Never before in the history of the United States was anyone ever sentenced to death by a civil court for espionage.

The eyes of the world are on us. Death to the Rosenbergs would strike a chill of horror into the hearts of our friends everywhere.

The Prophet Micah has told what the Lord requires of man: "Only to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God."

In the spirit of these words, Mr. President, we respectfully petition for clemency to the Rosenbergs.

Respectfully,

SHEPHERD Z. BAUM (signed)
President

NATHAN M. PADGUG (Signed)
Chairman, Executive Committee

If You Agree With This Statement Write President Truman Now!

For copies of this letter please write to the New York Jewish Conference

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TO :

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Description of exhibit: Two copies of the pamphlet "The Cold-War Murder" - the frame-up against Ethel and JULIUS ROSENBERG, by RICHARD O. BOYER.

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11:00 AM

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URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS
DASH C. DAYLET. ON AFTERNOON OF JANUARY SIX, FIFTYTHREE, TWO
INDIVIDUALS IDENTIFIED AS GENE WHEELER AND UPTON CURTIS GIVING
LOCAL ADDRESSES PICKETED IN VICINITY OF THE WHITE HOUSE PICKET
LINE BEING SPONSORED BY CAPTIONED COMMITTEE. WHEELER AND CURTIS
CARRY PLACARD ADVOCATING DEATH OF THE ROSENBERGS AS TRAITORS. WFO
FILES NEGATIVE CONCERNING WHEELER AND CURTIS. ON THE AM OF THIS
DATE PICKETING BY CAPTIONED COMMITTEE CONTINUED WITH THREE
PARTICIPANTS AT SEVEN AM AND FIVE AT ELEVEN AM. AT LATER TIME
TWO QUOTE ANTI DASH PICKETERS UNQUOTE STILL ACTIVE. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ADVISED ON JANUARY SIX, FIFTYTHREE HE HAS SEEN AT LEAST
EIGHTEEN CP MEMBERS IN ROSENBERG PICKET LINE AND FIVE AT THE
INSPIRATION HOUSE WHERE AN OFFICE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO DIRECT
THE PICKETS. THE INSPIRATION HOUSE IS ALSO HOUSING SOME OF THE
OUT OF TOWN PICKETERS AND ON JANUARY THREE LAST WILLIAM L. PATTERSON,
NATIONAL EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS, TOOK A ROOM AT
INSPIRATION HOUSE. [REDACTED] HAS ADVISED THAT
COMMITTEE OFFICE AT INSPIRATION HOUSE BEING RUN UNDER VERY
DISAGREABLE CIRCUMSTANCES WITH CONSIDERABLE CONFLICT AMONG THOSE
IN CHARGE AS TO PROCEDURES AND POLICY BEING FOLLOWED IN CONNECTION
WITH PICKETING. INFORMANT UNDER IMPRESSION THAT MOST INDIVIDUALS.

MR. BOARDMAN
MR. WHELAN
MR. BELMONT
MR. LADD
MR. NICHOLS
MR. ROSEN
MR. TRACY
MR. HARBO
MR. MOHR
MR. WINTERROWD
TELE. ROOM
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MISS GANDY

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PARTICULARLY FROM WASHINGTON, D. C. AREA, ARE AFRAID OF BEING
ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH PICKETS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
IDENTIFIED AS A CP MEMBER IN D. C. NORTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST CLUBS
OF PROGRESSIVE PARTY [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] IDENTIFIED IN PAST AS CP MEMBERS HEAD COMMITTEES
TELEPHONING LOCAL PEOPLE FOR FOOD CONTRIBUTIONS. ABOVE FOR
INFORMATION. b7d

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2:00 PM

DIRECTOR

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS
DASH C. DAYLET. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] NEW YORK HAS PROMISED TO SEND THIRTYFIVE PERSONS
PER DAY TO WASHINGTON. IT IS THE INFORMANT'S UNDERSTANDING THAT
EMANUEL BLOCH WILL PETITION THE PRESIDENT AND THE ATTORNEY GENERAL,
SIMULTANEOUSLY IF POSSIBLE, BEFORE JANUARY 21. BEGINNING
DECEMBER NINE NEXT, THE COMMITTEE PLANS TO FLOOD THE WHITE HOUSE
WITH TELEPHONE CALLS, BOTH LOCAL AND LONG DISTANCE. LOCAL
SECRET SERVICE HAS BEEN ADVISED.

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DIRECTOR

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, 28
DASH C. DAYLEY. HAS OF WFO OBSERVED PICKETING OF WHITE HOUSE
IN BUREAU CAPTIONED COMMITTEE CONTINUING DURING THE JANUARY SEVEN
LAST WITH NUMBERS OF PICKETERS VARYING BETWEEN THREE AND SEVEN.
A THIRD INDIVIDUAL IDENTIFIED AS JUANITA HALL OF D. C. JOINED THE
PREVIOUSLY REPORTED QUOTE ANTI DASH PICKETS UNQUOTE IN URGING
PRESIDENT TO DISREGARD APPEAL FOR CLEMENCY. AT SEVEN FIFTEEN AM
THIS DATE HAS OBSERVED SEVEN PICKETERS IN LINE. DURING THE LATE
AM THE NUMBER VARIED BETWEEN SEVEN AND TEN AND A FOURTH QUOTE
ANTI DASH PICKETER UNQUOTE IDENTIFIED AS JOHN E. SMITH, ROUTE FOUR,
CATANIA, PENNSYLVANIA, CARRIED PLACARD QUOTE ELECTROCUTION OF
ROSENBERGS. A FIFTY-ONE OR FIFTY-TWO GREEN FOUR DOOR CHEVROLET
BEARING NEW JERSEY LICENSE L OVER Y DASH TWENTY-EIGHT OBSERVED
TRANSPORTING PICKETERS. ON JANUARY SEVEN LAST, [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

ADVISED

AS FOLLOWS. ALTHOUGH NUMBER OF PICKETS HAS DECREASED CONSIDERABLY
EACH STATE HAS PROMISED TO SEND PICKETS HERE FOR A DESIGNATED DAY AND
NEW YORK HAS PROMISED THIRTYFIVE DAILY. RE PETITION TO BE FILED BY

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ROSENBERG DEFENSE ATTORNEY, DON ROSENBERG OF CLEVELAND AND DAVID ALMAN OF NEW YORK, BOTH LEADERS OF THE VIOLENT WING OF THE MOVIE BEING SUCCESSFUL AND HAVE URGED PEOPLE TO CONTINUE SOLICITING PICKETERS. THEY DESIRE SIXTY PEOPLE BE AVAILABLE TO PICKET IN TWO HOUR SHIFTS WITH ABOUT FIVE ON THE LINE AT A TIME. ON JANUARY FIVE LAST SOME OF THE OUT OF TOWN PEOPLE VISITED THEIR REPRESENTATIVES AND SENATORS IN FILE FOR RESERVATIONS AFTER APPOINTMENTS HAD BEEN ARRANGED FOR THEM BY ROSENBERG ON JANUARY TWO LAST. MOST LEGISLATORS WERE OPPOSED TO ROSENBERG, ALTHOUGH ONE UNKNOWN CONGRESSMAN REPORTED TO HAVE INDICATED SHE BELIEVED THAT THEY SHOULD RECEIVE EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY BUT DID NOT DESIRE TO MAKE A STATEMENT AT THAT TIME, INDICATING SHE WISHED TO CONSULT SEVERAL OF HER COLLEAGUES. CHARLES O. KIMWELL, CHIEF CLERK, POTOMAC PARK MOTOR COURT, ADVISED AS FOLLOWS: DAVID QUOTE ALMAN MAKE ARRANGEMENTS ON JANUARY TWO LAST TO RESERVE FOUR CARS WHICH WERE FIRST OCCUPIED FROM JANUARY THREE THROUGH JANUARY FIVE LAST BY SEVEN PEOPLE FROM MASSACHUSETTS AND FOUR FROM NEW YORK STATE. ON JANUARY FOUR LAST AN UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN TELEPHONICALLY CONTACTED KIMWELL IN BEHALF OF CAPTIONED COMMITTEE AND MADE RESERVATIONS FOR FOLLOWING NUMBER OF PERSONS FROM STATES INDICATED: NEW YORK THIRTYFOUR, ILLINOIS TWENTY, CALIFORNIA EIGHTEEN, MASSACHUSETTS TWO. ALL OF ABOVE EXCEPTING CALIFORNIA GROUP CHECKED OUT ON THE SIXTH LAST. CALIFORNIA GROUP ON FIFTH. FOLLOWING DATA SECURED BY SAS OF WFO. A PERSON

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GIVING NAME OF AARON SCHWARTZ OF NYC ADVISED A REPRESENTATIVE OF
INTERPOLIAN PM THAT HE WAS IN CHARGE OF GROUP ON SPECIAL TRAIN
FROM JERSEY CITY, NJ, WHICH ARRIVED D. C. ELEVEN TWENTY JANUARY FIVE,
FIFTYTHREE. [REDACTED] SECRET SERVICE WHITE HOUSE DETAIL, ADVISED
THAT AS OF ONE THIRTY PM JANUARY SEVEN LAST, ABOUT FIFTYSEVEN
THOUSAND PIECES OF CORRESPONDENCE HAD BEEN RECEIVED AT WHITE HOUSE
PARTAINING TO ROOSEVELTS. THESE INCLUDED TELEGRAMS, LETTERS AND
POSTCARDS. OF THESE ONE THREE FOUR SEVEN EIGHT POST CARDS AND
LETTERS RELIVED FROM FOREIGN COUNTRIES, DOMESTIC MAIL BEING TURNED
OVER TO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. ABOVE FOR INFORMATION.

MOON

NEW HAVEN, CONN.
JANUARY 8, 1953

AIRTEL

DIRECTOR, FBI.

URGENT.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS-C. DAYLET.
THE CONN. COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS OBTAINED THE USE OF
A ROOM AT THE YALE LAW SCHOOL, NEW HAVEN, CONN., TO HOLD A MEETING ON
JANUARY TEN, FIFTY-THREE. THE COMMITTEE CONSIDERED THIS TO BE VERY
FORTUNATE IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT THEY HAD BEEN DENIED THE USE OF MANY
HALLS IN BRIDGEPORT, CONN. UPON FURTHER CONSIDERATION, YALE UNIVERSITY
CANCELLED THE USE OF THE YALE LAW SCHOOL HALL TO THE CONN. COMMITTEE FOR
CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS. AT THE PRESENT TIME THE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN
UNABLE TO FIND ANY HALL IN THE STATE OF CONN. IN WHICH THEY MAY HOLD
A MEETING.

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FBI, LOS ANGELES

1-8-53

11:30 a. m.

DIRECTOR, FBI

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LOS ANGELES COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG
CASE, IS - C. DAYLET. [REDACTED]

ADVISES THAT SUBJECT COMMITTEE HELD A RALLY AT FACTOR
HALL, LA, ON JAN. SIX LAST ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY
TWO HUNDRED FIFTY PERSONS. PRINCIPAL SPEAKER WAS HELEN
SOBELL, WIFE OF MARTIN SOBELL, A DEFENDANT IN THE
ROSENBERG CASE. SOBELL DISCUSSED HER HUSBAND-S TRIAL
AND SENTENCE AND DEPLORED THE FACT THAT HER CHILDREN
WERE FORBIDDEN TO VISIT THEIR FATHER IN PRISON. IT WAS
ANNOUNCED AT THE MEETING THAT THE ROSENBERG COMMITTEE,
WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF CIVIL RIGHTS CONGRESS AND HOLLYWOOD
ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS COUNCIL, WOULD HOLD A
QUOTE CLINCY RALLY UNQUOTE OR TICKET NAME AT DEMOCRATIC
HEADQUARTERS, FOUR ONE SEVEN SOUTH HILL STREET, FROM
ELEVEN A. M. TO THREE P. M. ON JAN. TEN NEXT. [REDACTED]

LNP:pam

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(SOURCE: [REDACTED] to SA ROBERT E. RUSSELL, 1/8/53;
to SA KENNETH R. MERRILL, 1/7/53.)

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SUBJECT ROSENBERG/SOBELL COMMITTEE

SERIAL 444A DATE 1-8-53

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to Executive Order 11652 as it contains
information which would disclose an intelligence
source. This serial bears the Classification
Officers number 2040.

8 January 1953

Federal Bureau of Investigation
290 Broadway
New York, NY

Attn: Mr. D. P. Adams

RE: Ethel & Julius Rosenberg Case

Dear Sir:

In accordance with your request on 11 December 1952, I am enclosing one of several pieces of literature, a copy of their telegram and a list of the speakers at a meeting held in the Sanford Hotel, Flushing, NY, on 19 November 1952. Everything written in ink are my comments. I understand that my American Legion Post Commander has already sent to your office copies of additional literature, which was distributed to those present.

No one that I know, caught the name of the chairlady for the evening. She may have been called by two different names one of which was something like Blots. She was colored and stocky.

At the meeting they stated that \$22,000.00 had been raised in 10 days in order to get transcripts of the case, etc. They also stated that \$172.00 was contributed at this meeting. I know that the man sitting next to me gave a \$10.00 bill. The normal donation for the telegram was 25¢.

The meeting was called together by handbills, distributed in the neighborhood apartment houses. It was stated at the meeting that they had been looking for a hall since last March, and this was the first one they were able to secure.

One of the active men in the room (but not on the dias) helped circulate the telegram for signatures & quarters, helped in the general collection, and supervised the literature. He was a well dressed, slender built man who wore an earphone, and told me (by name) to take some of the literature as I went out of the room.

Circulated in at least my section of the audience, was one one page circular (for the Jefferson School, Sixth Ave & 16 St, Manhattan) from which had been clipped coupons for 50¢ and \$1.00 donations. This circular claimed it was for the only school teaching Marxism to negroes & Porto Ricans.

As I recall now, Mrs. Peggy Segal of Bayside called the meeting to order and turned the chair over to a colored woman whose name was Mrs. Blots or something far different. Mrs. Emily Alman, from Knickerbocker Village and a neighbor of the Rosenbergs, was the first speaker. As a speaker she gave an excellent delivery. Mrs. Bessie Mitchell (colored) told of drinking in the courtroom and the jury going to the races during her brother's trial and that a bottle used as evidence was manufactured after the date of the murder. Once she said the communists were afraid to help. In another statement she said the communists helped a great deal. Mrs. Segal then told of the difficulty in getting a hall, announced the four street corner meetings on the following Saturday, and asked for the big collection. Mrs. Alman then made more remarks, and admitted that the communists were helping Mrs. Mitchell. ~~There was~~ race persecution and Mrs. Alman's Jewish persecution. It seems to me intended to make the members of those who are persecuted for those reasons. I think that they were persecuted for those reasons.

Yours truly,

WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK FROM WASH FIELD 1-9-53

DIRECTOR AND SAC

URGENT

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, NY

DASH C. DAYLET. [REDACTED]

62d THAT AS OF MIDNIGHT JANUARY EIGHT, LAST, THREE THOUSAND INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN REGISTERED AS PICKETS SINCE COMMENCED. REPRESENTATIVES FROM NEW YORK WHO ARE WORKING HERE CLAIM THAT ONE DELEGATION FROM NEW YORK CONSISTED OF FIFTEEN HUNDRED PEOPLE. AS OF JANUARY EIGHT, LAST, A TOTAL OF TWENTY-TWO STATES HAVE BEEN REPRESENTED IN THE PICKET LINE. THE COMMITTEE LEADERS PRESENTLY IN WASHINGTON ARE HIGHLY DISTURBED BY COUNTER PICKET LINE WHICH HAS EXISTED FOR THE PAST SEVERAL DAYS. THEY ARE FEARFUL THAT A RIOT WILL ENSUE AS THE RESULT OF AGITATION ON THE PART OF INDIVIDUALS IN THE COUNTER LINE. THE LEADERS INSISTED THAT INDIVIDUALS ARE CHOSEN ON A SELECT BASIS FOR THE PICKET LINE TO PREVENT ANY HOT TEMPERED PERSONS APPEARING IN THE LINE. TWO INDIVIDUALS HAVE BEEN SENT BACK TO CHICAGO BECAUSE THEY GAVE EVIDENCE THAT THEY WERE HOT TEMPERED. THE LEADERS HAVE RECEIVED A REPORT THAT THERE WILL BE A LARGE COUNTER PICKET LINE SPONSORED BY THE AMERICAN LEGION WHICH WILL APPEAR ON THE SCENE DURING JANUARY TEN AND

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MR. FITZGERALD
MR. GILLESPIE
MR. LOVIE
MR. MCCHESSAULT
MR. MAUPAI
MR. ANDREWS
MR. KIRK
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ELEVEN, NEXT. FIFTEEN HUNDRED LETTERS [REDACTED] MAILED OUT TO INDIVIDUALS PLEADING FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE ROSENBERGS. THESE LETTERS [REDACTED] BEAR THE SIGNATURE OF MARY CHURCH TERRELL, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] IN ADDITION, MRS. TERRELL [REDACTED] SIGNED FIFTY LETTERS [REDACTED] SENT TO PROMINENT WASHINGTON NEGRO CHURCH AND FRATERNAL LEADERS. LOCAL LEADERS FEAR THAT THEY CANNOT BE TOO SELECT IN CHOOSING PEOPLE FOR THE PICKET LINE, AS THIS WOULD DIMINISH THE LINE CONSIDERABLY. THESE LEADERS FAVOR LARGE NUMBERS IN THE LINE AND NOT SMALL GROUPS AS HAVE BEEN FAVORED BY DAVID ALMAN OF NEW YORK.

HOOD

Jan. 9, 1955

F. B. I.
Minneapolis, Minn.

Gentlemen:

I received the enclosed on Wednesday
Jan 7th.

How they obtained my name or why
they used it, is a complete mystery to me.
I have never at any time, signed anything
or subscribed to anything that appeared
to be red or pinkish.

Sincerely

Wm. R. Over
51 Garfield Pl.
Lynbrook, N.Y.

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TO FROM

Memo

January 9, 1953

Re: BROOKLYN HEIGHTS COMMITTEE TO
SECURE CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS
Internal Security - C

[REDACTED] advised that he had received this date
a letter dated January 7, 1953 [REDACTED] which enclosed
a circular which invites attendance at a meeting "on the question of Clemency
for the Rosenbergs at 122 Pierrepont Street on Friday, Jan. 9, at 8:30 p.m.
There will be prominent speakers. Chairman: Rev. William J. Walsh. Sponsored
by the Brooklyn Heights Committee to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs."
This circular is being made a part of the 1A serial of this file. The letter
which enclosed the circular also enclosed the return address taken from the
envelope in which the circular was received. The return address was as follows:
MARBARA BARTELT, 16 Willow Place, Brooklyn 2, New York.

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SA RICHARD G. LOWERS

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January 9, 1953

Federal Bureau of Investigation
US Court House
Foley Square
New York 8, N.Y.

Dear Sirs,

The enclosed "hand-out"
entitled "Clemency!!" was
pushed under the door of
my apartment this evening.

In view of the propaganda
campaign opposing the
execution of the Rosenbergs
which is being fraged at
present time I assume you
may be interested in this
sample of one of the activities.

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"For I desired mercy and not sacrifice"

HOSEA 6:6

"Blessed are the merciful;
for they shall obtain mercy"

MATTHEW 5:7

-The Sermon on the Mount-



YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND
A MEETING ON THE QUESTION
OF CLEMENCY FOR THE
ROSENBERGS AT 122 PIERREPOINT
STREET ON FRIDAY, JAN. 9,
AT 8:30 P.M.

THERE WILL BE PROMINENT SPEAKERS

CHAIRMAN: REV. WILLIAM H. MEL

Sponsored by the Brooklyn Heights Committee to Secure Clemency for the Rosenbergs

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3609 Sunset St.,
Brooklyn 10, N.Y.
January 8, 1953.

To Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Enclosures:

My dentist received these in his
mail last week. They show the activity of the former.

Encl. dest. to
Rev. J. A. Harwood
P.O. Box 111
Brooklyn 10, N.Y.

Very truly yours,

Harold Shapiro.

10 January 1953

Dear Sirs,

Enclosed you will find a form letter
I received in this morning's mail. I have received
others but have thrown them away.

I was informed that this letter might
be of interest to your office.

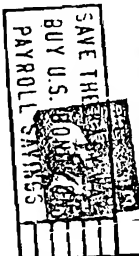
Sincerely,

Edward P. Mc Grath
239 Waverly Place
New York 14

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DIRECTOR, FBI

...URGENT...

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS DASH

DAY LET.

[REDACTED] STATED LOCAL GROUP MET JAN. EIGHT LAST, BOSTON, MASS. WITH THIRTYFIVE DASH FORTY PERSONS PRESENT. INFORMANT SAID

HERMAN TANSKY AND LARRY SHUDOW, TWO MEMBERS WHO WENT TO WASH. DC WITH LOCAL GROUP REPORTED ON THEIR VISITS TO CONGRESSMEN. INFORMANT STATED TANSKY AND SHUDOW ALLEGEDLY GOT QUOTE FAVORABLE RECEPTION UNQUOTE FROM CONGRESSMEN

PHILIP PHILBIN, THOMAS LANE AND SENATOR LEVERETT SALTONSTALL AND AS RESULT ALL THOSE PRESENT WERE URGED TO WRITE THEM LETTERS. [REDACTED]

STATED THOSE PRESENT WERE TOLD THIRTY THOUSAND PIECES MAIL RECEIVED BY PRESIDENT TRUMAN SO FAR AND SIXTY THOUSAND MORE TO BE SENT IN FORM OF LETS., POSTCARDS, WIRES, AND TELEPHONE CALLS. GROUP ALSO TOLD ARRANGEMENTS BEING MADE FOR HALL TO HOLD MASS MEETING, BOS., MASS. WITHIN NEXT SEVEN OR EIGHT DAYS WITH NY SPEAKERS. FOLLOWING MASS MEETING, GROUP PLANS TWENTYFOUR HOUR PICKET OF MASS. STATE HOUSE AND FEDERAL BUILDINGS, BOSTON, MASS. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] SAID LOCAL GROUP TOLD TO RAISE FIFTEEN HUNDRED DOLLARS FOR THREE ONE PAGE ADS IN BOSTON NEWSPAPERS. TANSKY KNOWN TO INFORMANT AS CHAIRMAN,

PHR:PP

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INSTANT GROUP. SHUBOW KNOWN TO BOS. OFFICE AS MEMBER TWO AND YOUNG
PROGRESSIVES OF MASS. SHUBOW ALSO HUSBAND OF LILIAN SHUBOW WHO IS TREASURER,
INSTANT GROUP.

HOSTATTER

KND

AIR TEL

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FBI WASH FIELD

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11:00 AM

DIRECTOR

URGENT

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE, IS
DASH C. DAYLET. ON JANUARY NINE LAST, U. S. PARK POLICE OBSERVED
AN AUTO CARRYING PLACARDS TO PICKET LINE OF CAPTIONED COMMITTEE AT
WHITE HOUSE, LICENSE OF WHICH IS REGISTERED TO JULIUS KAPLAN, SI
SUBJECT THIS OFFICE. ON JANUARY NINE LAST, JUANITA HALL, COUNTER
PICKET, ADVISED SA THIS OFFICE THAT A MR. NOVAK OF VFW TOLD HER
PREVIOUS EVENING THAT HIS ORGANIZATION WOULD SEE IF THEY COULD
HELP THE COUNTER PICKET FORCES. AN ADDITIONAL COUNTER PICKET HAS
BEEN IDENTIFIED AS ONE CLARENCE KROPP, ROUTE ONE, BIRMINGHAM,
ALABAMA.

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cc - WFO 100-421-R
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[REDACTED] TERRELL IS
WELL KNOWN ADDRESS LEADER IN NEGRO AFFAIRS. FROM TWELVE FIFTEEN
TO TWELVE THIRTY PM JANUARY TEN, FIFTYTHREE, SA THIS OFFICE
OBSERVED TWELVE INDIVIDUALS IN PICKET LINE; SIX WHITE AND SIX
NEGRO. AN ADDITIONAL WHITE MALE ACTIVE IN DISTRIBUTING LEAFLETS.
TWO COUNTER PICKETS OPERATING. AT EIGHT PM JANUARY ELEVEN LAST
FIFTEEN PICKETS OBSERVED IN LINE, TWELVE WHITE AND THREE NEGRO. NO
COUNTER PICKETS. AT SEVEN FIFTEEN AM THIS DATE SIX PERSONS IN
PICKET LINE. AT TEN THIRTY AM THIS DATE SEVEN IN LINE AND TWO
COUNTER PICKETS FUNCTIONING. U. S. PARK POLICE ADVISED THIS DATE
THAT NUMBER IN PICKET LINE OVER PAST WEEK END VARIED FROM SIX TO
FIFTY AND NO NOTED INCREASE IN NUMBER OF COUNTER PICKETS. FOLLOWING
INFORMATION OBTAINED ON A HIGHLY CONFIDENTIAL BASIS FROM [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS SQUAD, MPD, ON THIS DATE
AND IS NOT TO BE DISSEMINATED. IF PICKETING STILL EXISTS ON THE
NINETEENTH NEXT PICKETERS WILL BE ADVISED AT THAT TIME BY MPD
AND PARK POLICE THAT THEY WILL HAVE TO DISCONTINUE UNTIL THE END OF
INAUGURATION ACTIVITIES. ABOVE FOR INFORMATION.

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CONNECTICUT COMMITTEE FOR CLEMENCY FOR THE ROSENBERGS, IS-C. DAYLET. SUBJECT ORGANIZATION HELD MEETING AT HOTEL ONECO, NEW HAVEN, CT., LAST SATURDAY, WHICH MEETING HAD FORMERLY BEEN SCHEDULED FOR YALE LAW SCHOOL, NEW HAVEN. YALE UNIV. OFFICIALS WITHDREW USE OF YALE LAW SCHOOL DESPITE PERSONAL PLEAS OF JOHN MARZANKA (BUFILE 100-11133), LEADER OF SUBJECT ORGANIZATION AND PUBLICLY KNOWN AS PRESIDENT, AMERICAN SLAV CONGRESS WHICH HAS BEEN CITED BY THE AG. SURVEILLANCE AND RELIABLE INFORMANTS REPORT MEETING ATTENDED BY APPROXIMATELY 65 PEOPLE WHO WERE PRIDOMINANTLY CP MEMBERS OR SYMPATHIZERS. THIS WAS GOOD ATTENDANCE AS NEW HAVEN AREA EXPERIENCED ONE OF WORST ICE STORMS IN MANY YEARS OVER WEEKEND. ATTENDANCE COMPOSED OF INDIVIDUALS FROM NEW HAVEN, BRIDGEPORT AND OTHER CITIES WHO CAME MOSTLY BY TRAIN. MEETING PRESIDED OVER BY DR. WILLARD UPHAMS (BUFILE 65-50932), LEADER OF AMERICAN PEACE CRUSADE WHO HAS BEEN PUBLICLY IDENTIFIED WITH NUMEROUS CP FRONT GROUPS IN THE PAST. PRINCIPAL ADDRESS GIVEN BY CARL MARZANI OF NYC, FORMER STATE DEPT. EMPLOYEE, AND AUTHOR AND CRITIC. MARZANI LINKED HIS OWN "FRAME-UP" BY JUSTICE DEPT. WITH THAT OF ROSENBERGS AND LAMENTED THE LACK OF JUSTICE IN THIS COUNTRY IN THE WAY THE U.S. WAS GOING "INSANE IN CUTTING OFF ALL FREEDOM". HE STRESSED IMPORTANCE OF ROSENBERG CASE. STATED THAT "IF HE LOOSE" IT MEANS THAT, "TODAY OR TOMORROW WE ARE SURE OF LANDING IN JAIL". MARZANI SPOKE OF HIS OWN EXPERIENCE, TERMED THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AS CORRUPT AND ANNOUNCED THAT THE STRATEGY WAS TO STALL THE ROSENBERGS

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CASE UNTIL PRESIDENT-ELECT EISENHOWER WAS INAUGURATED. HE MENTIONED THAT HE HAD A FRIEND IN THE STATE DEPT. BY THE NAME OF LYNN (PH) WHO HAD STALLED HIS OWN CASE FOR TWO MONTHS AND COULD DO THE SAME THING FOR THE ROSENBERGS. HE SAID THAT IF THE CASE COULD BE HELD OVER UNTIL EISENHOWER BECAME PRESIDENT, ONE MARTY SILVERMAN WHO IS A GREAT FRIEND OF EISENHOWER WOULD INTERCEDE FOR THE ROSENBERGS AND POSSIBLY SAVE THEM. MARTY INSTRUCTED ALL PRESENT TO WRITE LETTERS TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN FOR CLEMENCY AND TO CONTRIBUTE HEAVILY FOR THE ROSENBERG CASE. OVER \$100. WAS COLLECTED AT THE MEETING. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] RELIABLE INFORMANTS REPORT THAT CP MADE CONCENTRATED EFFORT TO GET INDIVIDUALS TO GO TO WASHINGTON, D.C. OVER PAST WEEK END TO TAKE PART IN ROSENBERG DEMONSTRATION THERE, BUT DID NOT MEET WITH MUCH SUCCESS. HOWEVER, ROBERT C. EYING (BUFILE 100-115158), ORGANIZER OF CP IN BRIDGEPORT, CONN., AND AT LEAST ONE OTHER CP MEMBER FROM BRIDGEPORT, BELIEVED TO HAVE GONE TO WASHINGTON TO TAKE PART. 67d

MEY/nk
cc: NEW YORK
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cc: 100-11714 (Daylet)

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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DATE: January 12, 1953

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COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 SIXTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 18, N.Y.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
JANUARY 1, 1953

New Yorkers of every walk of life and belief have been asked to express their desire for clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg by attending "Appeal to the President" meeting on January 8, 1953, 5 PM at the traditional gathering place of the Jewish people of this city, Straus Square at East Broadway and Rutgers Street. The call was issued by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs.

A committee spokesman declared that "letters and calls coming into the office" indicate a deep concern throughout the city for the fate of the Rosenbergs. "In view of the closeness of the execution of the father and mother," he said, "it is expected that thousands of New Yorkers will gather at Straus Square to make their pleas to President Truman heard. He said that rabbis, ministers, and other prominent community leaders would participate in the meeting.

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TO :

DATE: January 11, 1953

FROM :

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

PRESS RELEASE

JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman
DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

for immediate release
December 29, 1952

1050 SIXTH AVENUE
NEW YORK 18, N. Y.
NYtel 9-9664

WOMEN'S INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE CALLS FOR CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS

The Women's International League for Peace and Freedom, in a newsletter to affiliates, has called upon its membership to "urge President Truman to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs," the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced it had just learned.

Newsletter No. 24, sent from the Organization's Washington headquarters, 1754 F Street, N.W., on December 12, devotes half of pages 8 and 9 to comment on the Rosenberg Case and answers to the question, "What Can We do?"

Noting that many communications had come to the Policy Committee from branches, individuals, members and friends asking what the League was going to do about the case, The Bulletin observed that "after very serious and searching study and consideration it seems right to make certain points."

"There appears to be substantial evidence of guilt," The Bulletin remarks, but notes that able lawyers have pointed out that "the trial was unfair and there were certain improprieties in the proceedings."

Through its Bulletin, the League passed on four recommendations for action to its membership.

"1. We can reaffirm that we are unalterably and irreversibly opposed to capital punishment, no matter what the crime or degree of guilt.

"2. We can point out that we believe this sentence, unprecedented in our history, is excessive and should be commuted and reconsidered.

"3. We must work to create a climate of opinion free of fear in which we insist on equal justice under the law and protest against the kind of prejudicial treatment which gives the death sentence to some and a lighter sentence to those who, though indicted as co-conspirators, turned informers for the State."

"4. Urge President Truman to grant clemency to the Rosenbergs. This is the least we can do. This much we must do.

"Above all," the passage concludes, "let us not be paralyzed by the fear that our intentions will be misunderstood. May the day never come when the WILPF refuses or fails to state openly and for all to hear its fundamental support of freedom and civil liberties."

Among the first founders of the League, which was organized more than half a century ago, were Carrie Chapman Catt, famed suffragette, and Jan Addams, internationally-renowned woman pacifist leader.

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Committee To Secure Justice In The Rosenberg Case

JOSEPH BRAININ
Chairman
DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

1050 SIXTH AVE
NEW YORK 18, N.Y.
82401 9-2664

December 7, 1952

Dear Friend:

In conjunction with the Clemency Vigil and the Clemency Gathering for Jan. 4th and 5th in Wash. D.C., we should like to recommend that a number of parallel activities take place in the various cities, in addition to sending people to Washington.

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(a) City Vigils. Is there a place in your city at which a 24-hour, day by day vigil can be organized simultaneous with the one in Washington? If there is, the vigil should be conducted on the same basis as the Washington one. It should take up only one issue - Clemency for the Rosenbergs. It should avoid, in slogans and acts, conflict or hostility with President Truman or any other government official or agency. It should attempt to involve clergymen and other community figures.

(b) Whether or not such a vigil is possible in your city, can a "perpetual prayer" activity be organized? This too would be a 24 hour, day by day activity in which prayer for clemency would be continuously made. It is possible, if a clergyman is willing, to conduct it in a single church or synagogue. It is also possible and possibly even more desirable, to "relay" it among a number of churches, temples and synagogues.

(c) Both these activities can help develop the national vigil and the National Clemency gathering. Secondly, the fullest publicity should be given to them and all other activities. New York newspapers (World Telegram, Post, and others) now state their information indicates that the clemency appeal has the support of millions. The World Telegram, for example, states that no other case in decades has aroused so much support. This news must reach your newspaper, it must be printed.

One other thing. The newspaper admissions that millions support the clemency appeal means that there are many thousands in your city who support this appeal thousands whom you may have never heard of. Newspaper advertisements can help reach them. Large scale mailings in New York, Chicago and elsewhere have gotten unprecedented returns.

There can be no doubt now that the American people favor clemency. We hope that the above suggestions, and previously made suggestions, will help you organize this favorable attitude.

Sincerely,

David Alman
DAVID ALMAN
Executive Secretary

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: JANUARY 12, 1953

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December 30, 1952

The following statement issued by the Chinese people's organizations was received today by National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case from Peking, China. The statement was issued in Peking on December 27, 1952.

"Two democratic progressive Americans Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were sentenced to death on framed up charge of violating United States espionage law by conspiring transmit atomic bomb information to Soviet Union and set to be executed January 12, 1953.

Chinese People are shocked and outraged by this shameless verdict of American Government who deliberately concocted case to persecute democratic progressive Americans and therefore strongly protest against this barbarous act of contempt justice and trampling upon human rights.

Acts and proceedings of Rosenberg trial prove American Government invented whole case for concealed political purpose. Rosenbergs have not committed any crime. They are only ordinary decent Americans. Government prosecutor produced no substantial evidence. (Prosecution witnesses are either professional informers or escape bought by FBI agents). "Evidence of crime" against them was their progressive ideas. So called evidence was so absurd even prosecution dared not call American Scientists to testify.

Henceforth Rosenberg Case is but product of American Government's war policy. American Government manufactured case for shameful purpose of finding pretext discredit Soviet Union promote Anti-Soviet, anti-communist war hysteria, suppress growing American peace movement and for persecution of Democratic progressive Americans. This shows American reactionary clique who are galloping down road to death and destruction on their chariot have completely torn down masks of "Democracy" and "individual rights" in their domestic policy, exposing their monstrous face of fascism and militarism.

To support Rosenbergs in their fight for justice is defend peace, freedom and democracy of American people as well as peoples of world. We are in complete sympathy with American peoples struggle to defend Civil Rights and for vindication of Rosenbergs. We support appeal

of National Committee Secure Justice Rosenberg Case and demand American Government
immediately reverse unjust and barbarous verdict and set Rosenbergs free. "

Chinese Peoples Committee for World Peace,

All China Federation of Labour,

All China Democratic Women's Federation,

All China Federation of Democratic Youth,

All China Federation of Literary and Art Circles,

All China Students Federation,

China Federation of Scientific Societies,

All China Association for Dissemination of Scientific and Technical Knowledge,

Political Science and Law Association of China,

National Council Church of Christ of China,

Chung Hwa Sheng Kung Hui (Chinese Protestant Episcopal Church),

Central Synod of Chinese Methodist Church,

National Committee YWCA of China

National Council YWCA of China.

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AMONG THE HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS
APPEALING FOR CLEMENCY

Brigadier General H. Newcomer (ret.)
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Chaplain Charles Raven, England
The Churchman
Dr. W. E. B. Du Bois
California Jewish Voice
Prof. Rudolph Carnap, Princeton University
Dudley Callard, Esq., England
Rabbi Abraham Cronbach
Shew Desmond, D.L.H., F.R.S.A., England
Cedric Dover, writer
Rabbi G. George Fox
Haaretz (Hebrew daily in Israel)
Judge Norval K. Harris, Indiana
Arthur Garfield Hays, attorney
Rev. John Paul Jones
Marjorie Jones, writer, England
Lord Chorley of Kendal, England
Mary Van Kleeck, social worker
Dr. Bernard Loomer, Divinity School, Chicago
Dr. George Santon, Harvard University
Rabbi Meyer Sharff
The Jewish Morning Journal
The Jewish Daily Forward
The Jewish Day
Toronto (Canada) Daily Hebrew Journal
Prof. H. H. Wilkos, Princeton University

NOTICE OF PARTICIPATION IN THE
NATIONAL CLEMENCY AND PRAYER GATHERING

(If more than one person is participating, please attach name and address on separate sheet of paper or secure additional copies of this Call from the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case, 1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18.)

Name.....

Address.....

City..... Zone..... State.....

☐ I am going as an individual

I am going on behalf of my ☐ church ☐ synagogue ☐ union

Name of Organization.....

I cannot attend, but enclose my contribution of \$..... to help defray the expenses of the National Clemency Gathering.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE
1050 Sixth Avenue, New York 18, N. Y.



a call to a

NATIONAL CLEMENCY
and PRAYER GATHERING

*to appeal to the President of the United States for
clemency for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg*

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89-5-1
67-15084
-9- IF THERE WAS EVER A TIME for our nation to show the world its capacity for mercy and humanity, that time is now.

Today Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, young parents of two small sons, sit in the federal house at Sing Sing prison, facing execution the week of January 12th. Their co-defendant, Morton Sobell, has been sent to Alcatraz Prison, under a thirty year sentence. They were convicted of conspiracy to give information, during World War II, to the Soviet Union. These three asserted their innocence then - and they assert their innocence today.

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS APPALLED AT DEATH SENTENCE

Hundreds of thousands of our countrymen, who believe that the Rosenbergs and Sobell were fairly tried and convicted or who express no opinion as to the fairness of the trial, are nevertheless united in their opinion that the Rosenberg death sentences should not be carried through. They point to the fact that persons like Axis Sally and Tokyo Rose, convicted of the more serious crime of treason, received only short sentences. Even Dr. Klaus Fuchs, regarded as the key man in this atomic espionage "ring," was sentenced only to 14 years.

Learned men and women, eminent lawyers and judges among them, have studied the Rosenberg-Sobell trial. They have expressed the fear that the Rosenbergs and Sobell may have been unjustly convicted because of the tragic political and social passions that are so widespread today.

All these are appalled at these death sentences because never before in our country's history—in peace or war—has a civilian court sentenced anyone to death on such a charge. They ask: What example to the world will these death sentences set? What problems will we solve by taking the lives of this young couple? They are moved by the terrible blight these death sentences, if carried out, will cast upon the two orphaned Rosenberg children.

THEY APPEAL FOR EXECUTIVE CLEMENCY.

They appeal to the President of the United States, who this very June granted Executive Clemency to a man sentenced to death, to spare the lives of Ethel and Julius Rosenberg.

To the end that the President and Congress may see how great are the numbers of the American people who are for clemency for the Rosenbergs and Sobell, a National Clemency Gathering has been called for January 4th and 5th (Sunday and Monday), in Washington, D. C. The Gathering will appeal to the President, the Department of Justice, and members of Congress, and will engage in prayer and work in the nation's capital on these two days.

We invite and urge the participation of men and women everywhere, irrespective of religious or political affiliation, of churches and synagogues, union and professional associations, civic and cultural groups, women's organizations, and all other associations to which our fellow-Americans belong—to participate in this urgent cause.

SUNDAY and MONDAY, JANUARY 4 and 5, 1953
NATIONAL GUARD ARMORY—WASHINGTON, D. C.

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FROM :

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LABOR COMMITTEE TO SECURE CLEMENCY

for the Rosenbergs

1060 Sixth Avenue New York 18, N.Y. ERYant 9-9694

Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Please note change for Rosenberg Washington delegation:

Delegation leaves Monday morning January 5th at 6:45 A.M. Sharp - Liberty St. Ferry - B.& O. Railroad - Liberty and West St. Hudson River. (Special round trip fare \$12.00 - available only at our office.) Return from Washington, Monday night.

Those travelling by any other means, please report to : Rosenberg Committee, Inspiration House, 1837 Kalorama Rd. N.W. Washington D.C.

Notes: Walter Winchell in radio and T.V. broadcasts Sunday, Dec. 20th reported that Dr. Harold C. Urey, top atomic scientist has urged Judge Irving Kaufman to rescind the death sentence which he imposed on Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The attorneys for the Rosenbergs are preparing to submit an application for reduction of sentence, within the next few days.

Action: Send telegrams or other communications to Judge Irving R. Kaufman, Federal Court Bldg. New York City, urging that he commute the death sentence of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. (Copies to President Truman and our committee.)

Sincerely and fraternally,

Abe Weisburd
Abe Weisburd
Secretary

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STATEMENT TO THE STATE DEPARTMENT

From the Delegation of the National Committee to Secure Justice in the
Rosenberg Case

For The Honorable Dean Acheson, Secretary of State

The State Department cannot but be cognizant of the increasingly undesirable reaction to the Rosenberg's death sentence abroad, which grows from hour to hour.

Surely it must recall the irreparable injury to this nation following the execution of Sacco and Vanzetti, as voiced by millions in all countries of the world, shocked at the execution of immigrants persecuted for their political ideas in another time of hysteria.

The moral prestige of the United States, its reputation for justice and mercy is being impaired by the presence of the Rosenbergs in the death house. Viewed from afar it cannot but seem to possess all the overtones of an hysteria which Europeans find difficult to comprehend. Such opinions are held not only by labor and liberal groups abroad, but by the largest mass of conservative opinion as well, reflected recently in the statement of the Paris "Le Monde", the "Paris Presse", and the Reverend Charles R. Bowen, Chaplain to the Queen of England.

The carrying out of the death sentence cannot but make more difficult cooperation between ourselves and our allies. It is indigestible that the nations that suffered the Nazi heel, Norway, France, Belgium, Denmark, Holland and Italy, are aghast at the spectacle of the United States government extending leniency and freedom to the Nazi field marshals and the Klee Wechs, while putting to death two American War citizens accused of having aided an ally.

We therefore urge that you advise the President of the United States of the danger to American prestige consequent upon the execution of the death sentence in this case, and that you urge him to extend clemency to the Rosenbergs.

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INFORMATION AND SUGGESTIONS ON VISITING YOUR CONGRESSMEN

1. Our reason for seeing Congressmen is to ask two things of them:
 - a. To use their influence upon the President directly to grant clemency.
 - b. To issue a public statement urging Clemency for the Rosenbergs.
2. Members of The House of Representatives each have an office in either the New House Office Building or the Old House Office Building, both of which are opposite the Capitol. Senators can be seen in the Senate Office Building opposite the Capitol.
3. Each Congressman has an Executive Assistant in his office. Although it would be good to see the assistant as a last resort, every effort should be made to see the Congressman himself. The best time to see your Congressman is between 10 - 12 in the morning and 2:30 - 5 in the afternoon.
4. Our approach should be to present the facts of the case for clemency without discussing any other issue with the Congressmen. The statements made by Dr. Harold C. Urey and Rabbi Abba Hillel Silver can be cited in appealing for clemency.
5. Regardless of our personal opinions about any Congressman, we should at all times be friendly and courteous.
6. If you are unable to see your Representative or Senator in his office, you can try to call him off the floor of the House or Senate in the Capitol building, by sending a note in to him through the Page Boy who is just outside the floor of the Senate or House.
7. There should be one spokesman in each delegation, but every member of the delegation should be prepared to speak. If possible, the spokesman should be a resident of the district which the Congressman represents. Another member of the delegation should take notes on the interview and the results should be recorded on the Report-Back Form included in this envelope.
8. Above all, we must impress Congressmen with the urgency of the case—the Rosenbergs have a week to live, and every Congressman should be pressed politely but firmly to take a stand in favor of clemency.

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"WRONG YESTERDAY - RIGHT TO
APPEALS COURT DECISION IN
ROSENBERG CASE CALLED
"INCREDIBLE"

FOR RELEASE
JANUARY 2, 1953

In ruling that a new trial in the Rosenberg case should have been granted many months ago, and yet declining to grant one today, the U.S. Appeals Court has avoided the central question, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case declared today.

The Appeals Court, with Chief Judge Thomas Swan writing the opinion, ruled on December 31 that:

"We may assume that in this case ^{unfavorable} pre-trial and during-trial publicity ^{a cautionary} instruction would not suffice, and that, if the defendants had moved for a new trial it should have been granted. But they did not so move."

The Committee declared:

"Where human life hangs in the balance, it would seem obligatory that the higher courts bend over backwards to insure utter fairness. To say that the Rosenbergs were entitled to a new trial many months ago, and yet to decline to grant them a new trial now is incredible. Should the Rosenbergs die simply because they expected, as they had a right to, that the verdict would not be influenced by unfavorable and misleading publicity? Should they be executed because of their faith in the courts? If a new trial, in the words of the Appeals Court, 'should have been granted' at that time, should the Rosenbergs die because they did not, at that time, move for one? To admit that there are grounds for calling the trial 'unfair' and then to refuse to correct the wrong can only injure the reputation of our courts in the eyes of the American people and the world.

"When one adds to this admission by the Appeals Court the sworn confession by FBI agent John A. Harrington that he abetted one of the witnesses in committing perjury against the Rosenbergs, it becomes utterly unthinkable that the Rosenbergs be sent to their deaths, beyond the hope of ever clearly establishing the truth of the charges on which they were tried."

FOR RELEASE JANUARY 8, 1963

PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS WILL BRING YOUNGSTERS TO STRAUS SQUARE MEETING

Whole families of New Yorkers from all five of the city's boroughs will gather at historic Straus Square, in the heart of Manhattan's Lower East Side, on Thursday, January 8, from 5 to 7 P.M., to appeal for Presidential clemency for Julius and Ethel Rosenberg. The meeting is being sponsored by the New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs. The small hands of children, in their brightly-colored mittens, will feel a squeeze from the bigger hands of their parents and grandparents when speakers mention the two Rosenberg children — Mike, age 9, and Hilda, age 1. For the children know as well as their elders that four lives are at stake in the case.

"My two children know all about the case," said one Bronx mother whose son and daughter are 11 and 8 respectively. "I explained it to them the first Saturday I left them with their grandparents—my own mother and father—so that I could gather signatures from the housewives doing their Saturday shopping. When I called for them later in the day, my own parents, who are in their seventies, were angry with me. They wanted to know why I hadn't asked them to sign my petition. The child had told them all about the Rosenberg case.

"We're not too old to help," they said. "We can't get out much, but lots of our friends came to see us. We'll get them to sign."

"I handed my father the petition," the Bronx mother continued, "and showed him the line to sign. His hand trembled a little, because he's not used to writing in English—he writes mostly in Yiddish—but he put his name down on the petition in big clear letters. Then my mother said she wanted to sign.

"But you can't write English," he said. "I'll sign for you."

"No," she objected, "I want to do something for these people. I want to be an 'X' at least."

But he shook his head. "No, Babe," he said. "To save two human lives—such a holy thing—an 'X' is not enough. I'll sign your name for you."

And she let him sign her name.

"Both of my parents," said the young housewife, and the two children—will with my husband and myself at Straus Square on Thursday."

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NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO SECURE JUSTICE IN THE ROSENBERG CASE

1050 Sixth Avenue
New York City

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PRESS RELEASE

for immediate release
November 6, 1953

The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced today that it has obtained the largest hall in the City of Washington DC - the National Guard Armory- for the Clemency Gathering and Prayer Meeting in Washington on Sunday, January 4th, 1954, at 10 AM.

It is expected that thousands of people, representatives of organizations and community leaders, will be present. Included in this gathering will be many distinguished educators, clergymen, scientists, writers, artists, actors and other prominent citizens from all parts of the United States to add their voices for clemency and make their appeal to President Truman.

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THE ROSENBERGS MUST LIVE

_____ DAYS TO EXECUTION DATE

1. Get your neighbors and friends to send wires or letters to President Truman and President-elect Eisenhower asking for clemency.
2. Get out a mailing to your organization or to people in your neighborhoods. Mailing kits can be obtained at the Committee.
3. Collect funds for the Committee.
4. Sign up for and get your organization to participate in Washington, D.C. Clemency Delegation for January 5, 1953. Train tickets are available at \$12 round trip at the Committee.
5. Join the Prayer and Clemency Vigil at the White House running 24 hours daily. Report to Inspiration House, 1867 Kalorama Road, N.W. Washington, D.C.
6. Join your neighborhood activities -- leaflet distributions, motorcades, vigils, etc.
7. Visit every clergyman, office-holder, doctor, lawyer and any other notables in your community. Ask him to speak out for clemency.
8. Ask your rabbi or minister to conduct a prayer meeting in his congregation.
9. Mobilize your community, shop, union, or organization for participation in the mass meeting for Clemency, January 8th, 5-8 PM at Strauss Square, East Broadway, N.Y.C.

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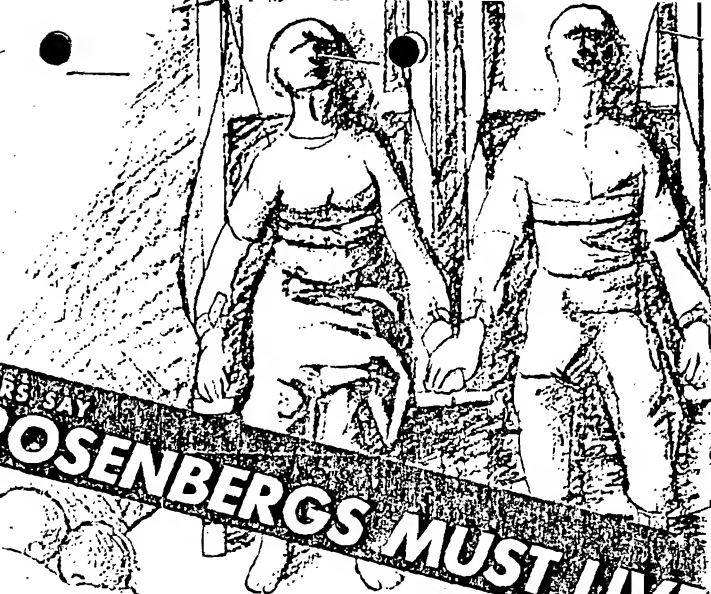
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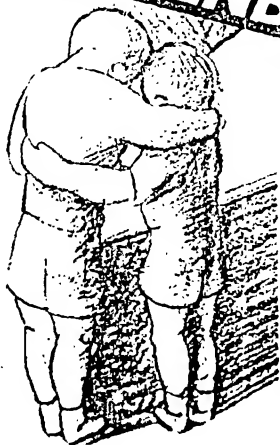
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NEW YORKERS SAY

THE ROSENBERGS MUST LIVE



ON January 8, 1953,

Ethel and Julius Rosenberg
will have only days to live.

YOU CAN HELP SAVE THEIR LIVES!

Millions all over the world are appealing
to the **PRESIDENT TO COMMUTE**

THEIR DEATH SENTENCE!

Some believe the Rosenbergs are guilty.

Some believe they are innocent. Some do not know.

BUT ALL AGREE THAT THE DEATH SENTENCE SHOULD

BE COMMUTED BY THE PRESIDENT.

Now is the time to join together to help save their lives.

EVERYONE HAS A DUTY TO BE AT

STRAUS SQUARE, East B'way & Rutgers
(go by Independent Subway, F train to East Broadway)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 8th • 5:00 P.M.

WRITE OR WIRE THE PRESIDENT TO SAVE THE ROSENBERGS!

Issued by: New York Committee for Clemency for the Rosenbergs
1050 Sixth Avenue (40th St.), New York 18, N. Y. • BRyant 9-9683

OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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PRESS RELEASE

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CLEMENCY VIGIL AT WHITE HOUSE IN 144th HOUR

THOUSANDS TO PETITION LAWMAKERS AND PRESIDENT FOR CLEMENCY ON
JANUARY 5th

Washington, DC -- The round-the-clock Clemency Vigil for Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, which began at the White House at 4 pm on Saturday, December 27, 1952, is now in its 144th consecutive hour. The National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced today that, through icy rains and freezing snow, the Vigil continued, with the participation of persons from half a dozen states. The participants included Negro and white professionals, students, housewives, businessmen and trade unionists, representing all religious affiliations.

During the ten days that remain until the scheduled date of execution of the Rosenbergs, the Clemency Vigil will include participants from throughout the midwest and as far west as California as well as the Eastern and Southern states, which have been heavily represented since the Vigil began.

Clemency Vigil participants reported telegrams of encouragement, offers of coffee and good wishes, especially from the New Year's eve crowds.

In conjunction with the Vigil, thousands of persons, from every part of the country, are expected in Washington on January 5th, when they will form delegations to visit the President and their congressional representatives to petition executive clemency to save the lives of the young Rosenberg parents - the only Americans ever sentenced to death on a charge of "conspiracy to commit espionage."

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OFFICE MEMORANDUM - UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO :

DATE: January 11, 1955

FROM :

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JUSTICE IN THE CUBAN CASE
INTERNAL SECURITY - C

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LOCAL RELIGIOUS GROUPS ASK CLEMENCY FOR ROSENBERGS

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"Time is growing very short" to save the lives of Julius and Ethel Rosenberg was the plea of the Astoria Center of Israel Bulletin for Dec. 26, it was learned today by the Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg case. "Please act at once," declared an editorial urging the congregation to write President Truman "asking him to commute their sentence" of death in the Sing Sing electric chair during the week of January 12, 1953.

The Bulletin declared it was convinced of the "disloyalty" of the Rosenbergs and of the "fairness" of their trial on charges of alleged passing of publicly known information to Soviet Russia.

"However the death sentence which was imposed upon them is undoubtedly much too severe in view of the time when the act was committed..."

The plea of the Bulletin was among thousands flowing toward Washington D.C. on the eve of the Clemency and Prayer Gathering there on January 5.

Undoubtedly considering the children of the condemned mother and father, the Bulletin urged people to write "in the name of mercy and kindness...a post card or brief letter is all that is necessary to express your thoughts on the matter."

"The ultimate decision is now in his hands," declared the Bulletin of President Truman, "but he will be guided by public opinion and response."

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Meanwhile Rabbi Adolph Klein of Brooklyn declared in a message to President Truman:

"While there is a doubt of the wisdom of the sentences, the executions should not be carried out.

"In the name of my Congregation Ans he Emmeth of Coney Island (N.Y.City) and myself I am appealing for mercy..." declared Rabbi Klein in his message to the President concerning the looming electric chair execution of the father and mother of two children for alleged espionage.

"We all feel that the sentence is shocking and unjust... Why were others implicated in the plot treated less severely? In our opinion it is not certain from the court records that the accused were as crucially important in the spy network as they were made out to be," continued Rabbi Klein.

Further asserting that "God alone knows the truth in this tragic case," Rabbi Klein urged that "for the sake of their two young children, grant them their life."

"Our allies will surely be disturbed and confused for they look upon our country as the land of justice and humanity."

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WHITE HOUSE CLEMENCY VIGIL NOW IN THIRD DAY

The Clemency Vigil at the White House, Washington, DC, is now coming into its 72nd consecutive hour, the National Committee to Secure Justice in the Rosenberg Case announced today.

The Vigil, asking President Truman to grant Executive Clemency to Ethel and Julius Rosenberg, will continue 24 hours, day and night, to the week of January 12th, the date set for the execution of the Rosenbergs.

Walking in temperatures that fell as low as 24 degrees in the early morning hours, the participants reported many offers of coffee and relief from nightseers and other passersby.

The Vigil, which has received nationwide radio, television and newspaper coverage, is one of a series of actions undertaken by numerous groups throughout the country. Appeals for clemency are being made by hundreds of thousands who assume the Rosenbergs are guilty but who object to the excessive and unprecedented sentence. Hundreds of thousands of others ask for clemency because they have doubts about the guilt of the Rosenbergs, while still others are convinced of their innocence, which the Rosenbergs continue to affirm in the very shadow of the electric chair.

On January 8th, thousands of persons from all over the country are expected in Washington, where they will form delegations to Senators, Congressmen, the White House, Department of Justice, and other government agencies.

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OFFICES OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY
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